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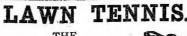
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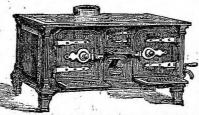
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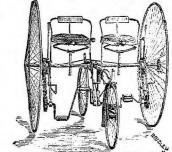
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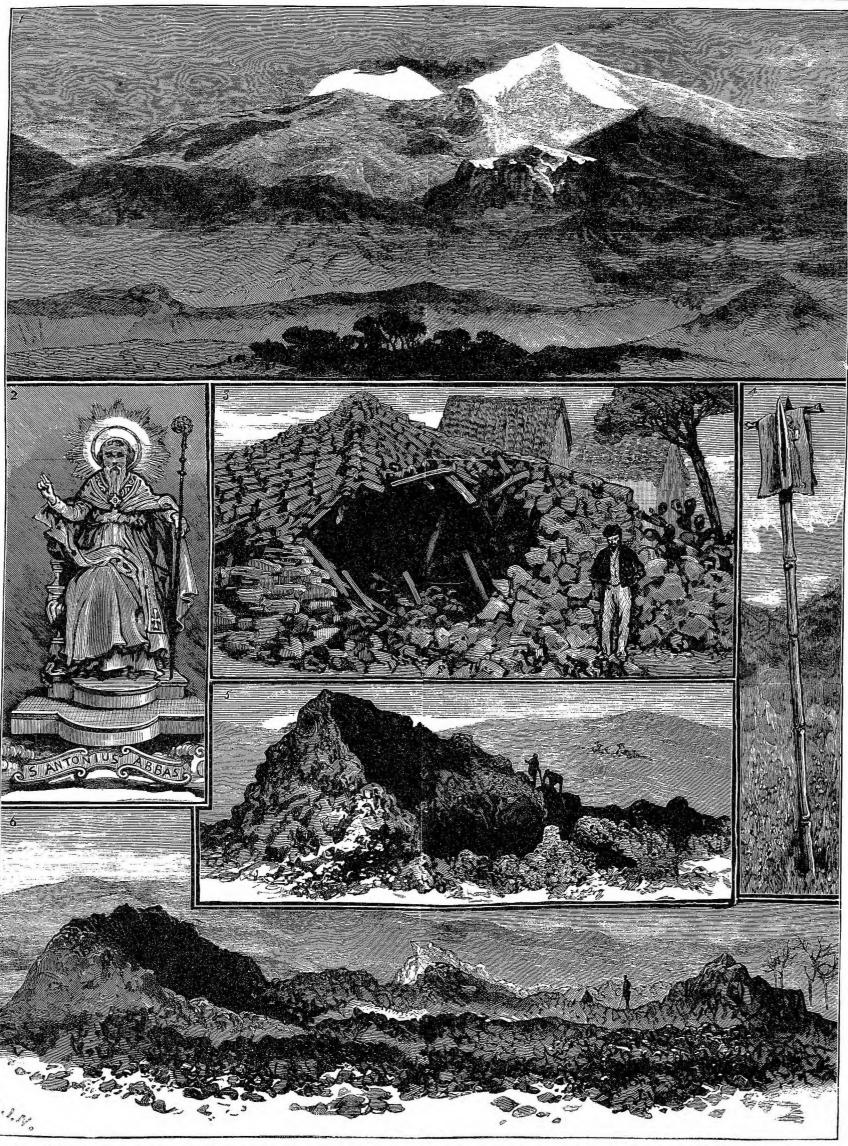
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ENGLAND AND AMERICA. The proceedings of the dynamite faction in England have drawn forth expressions of abhorrence from all really influential newspapers in the United States; and it would have been strange if any portion of civilised mankind, whether our kinsfolk or not, had failed to speak out plainly about conspiracies against men, women, and children who are about as responsible as the Man in the Moon for "Irish wrongs." American newspapers, however, while denouncing the zealous patriots who have made themselves so prominent, generally associate their condemnation with what they suppose to be judicious counsel to English statesmen. It is often supposed that the true explanation of this is a desire on the part of American politicians to conciliate Irish voters; but it is more probable that there is much genuine misunderstanding in the United States as to the position of Ireland. Americans claim to be the best educated people in the world; and, so far as elementary education is concerned, perhaps they are right. Accurate acquaintance with the circumstances of foreign countries, however, is not their strong point. They have so firm a faith in their own superiority to the rest of "creation" that they do not think it worth while to give much attention to the doings of distant nations. Hence very extraordinary notions about England and Ireland are current in the United States. Sometimes an American, otherwise well-informed, will surprise an English acquaintance by talking of Ireland as a country which is not represented in Parliament; and penal laws which ceased to exist more than a century ago are occasionally spoken of as still in operation. That Ireland is more fully represented than Scotland, that her tenant-farmers have larger rights and privileges than any other class of tenant-farmers in the world, that capital would quickly flow freely into Ireland if the turbulence of malcontents did not frighten it away-these things are understood only by a small minority of Americans; and, unfortunately, in America small minorities have not much chance of making themselves heard. Until the facts are more widely known, we cannot expect the people of the United States to do anything that will effectually discourage even the most violent anti-English agitators.

THE AIMS OF THE DYNAMITE PLOTTERS.—It may be suspected that an examination of the Government archives of the last thirty years would show that Fenianism and its various offshoots have all along been more seriously regarded by responsible politicians than the world in general has imagined. At the same time, party spite has done much

to impair this estimate. Mr. Gladstone and his friends, for example, pooh-poohed Lord Beaconsfield's "Marlborough Letter," though they must have known, which the outside public did not, that its alarmist statements were quite true. What is worse, they allowed this bitter partisan spirit to actuate their subsequent Irish policy, doing everything they could in contradiction to the plans of their predecessors, thereby fanning the flames of Irish disaffection, and bringing about the present condition of affairs, which no one but Fenians can regard with satisfaction. For the moment Ireland is externally tranquil, but it is a tranquillity produced by the presence of armed forces. The centres of disturbance, to borrow a phrase from the weatherprophets, are just now rather over Great Britain Thus far John Bull is annoyed and uneasy, but not seriously alarmed or indignant. The public stocks, whose movements accurately indicate popular feeling, have hitherto been unaffected. If, however, one of these felonious explosions were to cause a large loss of life, such an outburst of wrath would take place that quite possibly numbers of the Irish employed in England might find themselves out of work. Our own impression-it may be unduly favourable-about the Irish-American dynamitists is, that they rather wish to terrify John Bull than to destroy his buildings, or still less his people. Some of the leaders of the movement are possibly humbugs, who have no real belief in its ultimate success, but who feel that a spurt must be made every now and then to prevent the subscriptions from languishing. Others, again, are genuine enthusiasts, who really aim at securing the independence of Ireland, and who try and excuse their uneasy consciences for attempting to secure it in such a bloody-minded and treacherous fashion by imagining that Ireland is really at war with England, and that it is no worse to blow up her buildings and their inhabitants with nitro-glycerine than to discharge shells into the camp of a recognised enemy.

"THE BATTLE OF THE MOY."-However this may be, an enterprising firm of booksellers in Boston, U.S., have shown a more excellent way to these enthusiasts, namely, the way of downright fair fighting. Some ingenious gentleman, borrowing the method of the author of the "Battle of Dorking," has kindly peered into the future, and told us in a little green-covered book what is going to happen between the years 1892 and 1894. Home Rule, it appears, has already been granted, and there is an Irish Parliament sitting in College Green, but the patriots of the Green Island are far from satisfied. Presently, "England's difficulty" and "Ireland's opportunity" occurs. Germany, for long covetous of Holland and Belgium, endeavours to seize those kingdoms. England goes to war with Germany. Hereupon, the Hon. Francis Keenan, M.P. for Clonmel, electrifies the Irish House of Commons by proposing that Ireland be declared independent. His proposition is seriously debated, and finally approved; then there is an exodus of noblemen and landowners, and war is declared. greater part of the book is taken up with a description of the resulting military movements, and of the important action which was fought on the banks of the River Moy, which divides Sligo from Mayo, between the British Army on the one side and the allied forces of Ireland and Germany on the other, and which, it is needless to say, results in our defeat and the establishment of Irish independence. H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge will be pleased to learn that, as in 1894 our soldiers are still styled "red coats," the objectionable "invisible grey" reform was evidently never carried out. Considering its subject, and its inevitable anti-British animus, this little book is written with some degree of sense and moderation, and a quaint air of vraisemblance is given by the insertion of the names of all the principal officers, British, Irish, and Germans, engaged. There is even quite an elaborate biography of Patrick O'Hara, the Irish Commanding Officer. Anyhow, whatever those may see who are alive ten years hence, we prefer this military fanfaronnade to moles burrowing underground with their claws dipped in nitro-glycerine.

THE DISGRACEFUL MONASTERIO CASE seems to exist for the justification of MM. Zola, Belot, and Xavier de Montépin. The two former gentlemen might say that, in squalor and depravity, their inventions are surpassed by the facts alleged or proved in this trial. M. de Montépin, on the other hand, is an artist fertile in murders. In his new story his hero (1) kills a woman in a tomb; (2) stabs a man to death in a four-wheeler; (3) attempts to drown a girl by sawing a hole in the ice where she is going to skate; (4) to to kill her by introducing a viper into her dressing-room. These are his crimes as far as he has gone, but the novel in which he appears is not nearly finished in the Petit Journal. The same wholesome serial contains an account of the murder of Madame Chalenton, a witness in the Monasterio case. At half-past nine on Thursday morning a gentleman in black called at the house where Madame Chalenton lived, and asked for that lady. Five minutes later, M. Michel. Commissaire de Police, was going to his office, when he heard a window thrown open, whence a woman, covered with blood, was shouting "murder." M. Michel rushed into the house, and met the lady, wounded in several places, and holding in her hand a broken stick with which she had defended herself. In her room, among strewn and broken furniture, was M. Chalenton, the gentleman in black. He held in his hand a smoking revolver of small calibre, and

explained that he had shot his wife because people chaffed him about the trial in which she was a witness. By a very curious coincidence, he had warned this very M. Michel of what was likely to happen. The laundresses of a neighbouring establishment wished to lynch him with their battoirs. This was a relapse into the naturalisme of M. Zola.

CO-OPERATION .--- Some interesting statistics on this subject have just been published by the Co-operative Wholesale Society in Manchester. From their report it appears that there are nearly a thousand co-operative societies in England, with 599,879 members, and a share capital of 6,319,870%. In 1862 the sales of co-operative societies amounted to 2,333,523l.; in 1881 the figures were 20,901,273l. These are significant facts for the contemplation of retail dealers, who must be remarkably alert and enterprising if they mean to hold their own against a movement which is making way so rapidly. It is worth noticing, however, that the object of almost all the co-operative societies which have done well hitherto is, not production, but distribution. At one time it was hoped that great things would be accomplished by co-operative productive associations of workmen; and if such societies, with adequate capital, could be started in considerable numbers, they would obviously form an element of the highest importance in the struggle now going on between capital and labour. On the Continent, and especially in Germany, an attempt is being made to overcome the difficulty about capital by an agitation for the intervention of the State. The wealth of the world, say the Socialists, has been created by workmen; and it is argued that they have therefore a right to demand that the State shall sanction the formation of productive associations and supply them with the means of becoming prosperous. This cry has not yet been heard in England, but in these days ideas travel fast, and as our workmen get more accustomed to the system of co-operation for the distribution of the products of labour, it is not at all impossible that some of them may begin to think that co-operation of the kind which commends itself to so many foreigners would have its advantages. This is a subject to which Mr. Chamberlain might profitably turn his attention at times when he is not engaged in contemplating the wickedness of landlords.

THE NEW AMERICAN TARIFF ON WORKS OF ART.-The revision of the United States Tariff, which took place during the recent Session of Congress, was due to the existence, it was declared, of a malady which is very rare either among nations or individuals. The Americans were gathering in too much revenue, jobbery and extravagance were rampant, and it was resolved to lessen the receipts by reducing taxation. Free Traders on this side of the water hoped that at last their turn had come, and that some of the almost prohibitive protective duties would be lowered; but the interests of local manufacturers were too sharply looked after in Congress to permit of any such reforms; the remittances of fiscal imposts were almost wholly confined to the inland revenue, and the foreign exporter found himself no better off than before. Nay, in some respects worse off, for some red-hot patriot or collection of patriots, ardent patrons, it may be presumed, of American Art, actually managed to persuade the august Legislature sitting at Washington to increase the duty on the importation of Works of Art into the United States from ten per cent. to thirty per cent. ad valorem. Thus a tourist who during his "Europe tour" buys a picture for 1,000l. finds he has to pay Uncle Sam's myrmidons 300% more for the privilege of landing it under the star-spangled banner. The new arrangement is, of course, detestable to European artists, but neither is it popular in America. Artistically, the United States are in their infancy. They have plenty of money, and they want to buy works of Art, but their own country does not yield, especially in quality, what they need. So they are obliged to go abroad for it. Hence there is great dismay concerning the new tariff, an influential agitation has been started, and it is hoped that before long Congress may be persuaded to exempt from duty all works of Art properly so called. Petitions to this effect have been numerously signed by artists, by directors of galleries, and by connoisseurs throughout the United States.

A DILEMMA IN DYNAMITE. One comfort in the present exciting circumstances is that our enemies are not unlikely to be hoist with their own nitro-glycerine. They do not make it very well; they do not carry it very carefully; and, whoever else may be injured, the miscreants are almost sure to be among the sufferers. No dilemma more terrible can be imagined than that of the Irish-American who leaves his lodgings with an infernal machine in his pocket, and in his heart the desire to blow up part of London. Let us suppose that before leaving his lodgings he puts in the corrosive stuff-which, after eating through a metal plate, explodes the charge. The operation would be a delicate one to perform in the open streets. Or "let it be granted," as Euclid says persuasively, that our friend winds up the clockwork which is to explode the charge before leaving home. Let us suppose that he finds all the buildings well guarded. From one to another he hurries, always driven away by finding the cold eye of the law fixed on his proceedings. All this while the acid is corroding the plate, or the clockwork is ticking on to the hour of doom. He cannot lay the infernal machine down in the neighbourhood of a public building for fear of detection. He cannot even leave it in the street, for everywhere he is observed. He begins to feel certain that his machine will explode in his

pocket, and blow him to his own place. He makes a wild rush for the river, knowing that a false step may hasten the process of explosion. Conceive his delight if he is lucky enough, at last, to pitch his infernal box into the river! What a trial to the nerves of the operator is this form of

GERMANY, AUSTRIA, AND ITALY. On the Continent there has been much talk during the present week about the relations of these three countries. It is not supposed that they have concluded a definite alliance; but there is reason to believe that they have arrived at a good working understanding. This might have been guessed, even if it had not been plainly stated by the North German Gazette, Prince Bismarck's newspaper. For several years Germany and Austria have formed practically one country, so far as their foreign policy is concerned; and it is the obvious interest of Italy to cultivate their good will. She has nothing to fear from either of them; while she knows that she must be on her guard against France, which has ambitious designs in North Africa, and, in the event of a reactionary Government coming into power again, might think some day of helping the Papacy. A few Frenchjournalists affect to believe that an understanding between Germany, Austria, and Italy is a menace to peace; but serious Frenchmen understand that it cannot be anything of the kind. In the action of these Powers the determining voice must belong to Germany; and Germany, notwithstanding her vast military force, is a thoroughly pacific State. She needs all her strength for the consolidation of the Empire, and there is no party in the country which would be in favour of war unless war were made a necessity by some troublesome neighbour. If Germany, Austria, and Italy can continue to hold together, it will be seen by-and-by that their growing cordiality marks one of the most important stages in modern European history; for against such a combination neither France nor Russia, whether acting singly or in coalition, could hope to achieve success. And the best thing that could happen, both for Russia and for France, would be the establishment of a system of international relations which would force them to confine their energies to the settlement of their internal difficulties. We may even hope that, in the end, they would find it to their own advantage to suggest to the Central European Powers the expediency of a general scheme of disarmament.

DIVORCE IN AMERICA. --- Americans are beginning to be alarmed, it seems, by the growing number of divorces, especially in the Eastern States. During the last thirty years the population of Connecticut has increased less than 70 per cent., while in the same period the divorces have increased nearly 500 per cent. The ratio of divorces to marriages in this State is 1 to 10'4. In Massachusetts it is I to 21; in Vermont I to 13; in Rhode Island I to 10; in New Hampshire 1 to 9; and Maine, the teetotal State, is not far behind New Hampshire. Such figures as these are rather startling; and many philosophers will be tempted to explain them by reference to large popular tendencies of the present day. The important question is, however, Can anything be done by means of the law to check the growth of the evil? In America each State has its own marriage law; and there can be no doubt, we suppose, that if a uniform system were introduced throughout the country, divorce would become much less frequent. This change has often been proposed; and Americans will probably hear a good deal about it from the societies which are being formed for the discussion of questions suggested by the present state of things. It is highly improbable, however, that the nation will consent to enlarge the functions of the Federal authorities by the limitation of State rights; and when we consider how easily a movement for centralisation in other matters might be started, it becomes obvious that the resolve to maintain local powers is both natural and prudent. Every State will have to work out the problem in its own way; and the general opinion of Americans seems to be that improvement must be effected rather by the pressure of public sentiment than by legislative reforms.

ORIGIN OF RENT.—The wrongs of Ireland began long ago, but as not one of them have ever been forgotten, it is necessary for remedial legislators to study the very commencement of sorrows. The trouble began with Breas Mac Elathan, one of the Tuatha de' Danand Kings. This oppressive and detested Prince invented Rent, which he first of all men imposed upon Ireland. To the conscience of Mr. Gladstone this information must bring genuine relief. Not the English, not even the Normans, but Breas Mac Elathan, a genuine Celt, was the inventor of Rent. The rent-paying tribes (as they were humorously called, for "No Rent" was their motto) are known to history as Aithech Tuatha. These words may be translated "Plebeians" or "Giants," as you please, such is the latitude of Celtic philology. But the people of Breas Mac Elathan were, in their turn, conquered and compelled to pay rent by the Scots, or Milesians, and so it has been going on ever since. The first No Rent manifesto was issued, by the contemporary Parnell, about A.D. 9 or 10, for the date is not absolutely certain. The Landlords were massacred, all but a few that escaped, at Magh Cro, or the Bloody Plain, where they had been presiding at a Tenants' dinner. The next great murder entirely was A.D. 56, when Fiacha Finnfolaidh was slain at the massacre of Magh Bolg. Ireland was always a lively place, even before the days of Strongbow.

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THE ERUPTION OF MOUNT ETNA

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THE CARNIVAL AT NEW ORLFANS

THE Mardi Gras was celebrated at New Orleans on February 6th, with the usual festivities and grand street spectacles. The city was gaily decorated, and illuminated at night; the shipping in the harbour was dressed with flags. The streets were crowded; besides the inhabitants, some 25,000 visitors from all parts of the Union being

The procession of cars took place during the afternoon. First came the Bouf Gras and his attendants; then followed the King of the Carnival, with twenty cars. This pageant illustrated Atlantis, the lost continent described by Plato. There were 120 characters in this pageant, and seventy pieces of papier maché work. Next came the Phunny Phorty Phellows, with fourteen cars, illustrating operatic and theatrical travesties. Among the tableaux were representations of Hamlet, The Merchant of Venice, Mascotte, and Patience. Lastly, the Independent Order of the Moon presented grotesque illustrations the Independent Order of the Moon presented grotesque illustrations of familiar rhymes

At night the Knights of Momus appeared, with eighteen cars, illustrating scenes from legends and romances referring to the conquest of Granada. In this display there were some ten or twelve

horses, of papier maché, life-size.

The Royal reception at the Imperial Palace was attended by some 25,000 persons. The Throne Room, in which the King and Queen received, together with Lord and Lady Baltimore, was painted to represent the bottom of the sea where Atlantis sank. Balls and other entertainments also signalised the close of the

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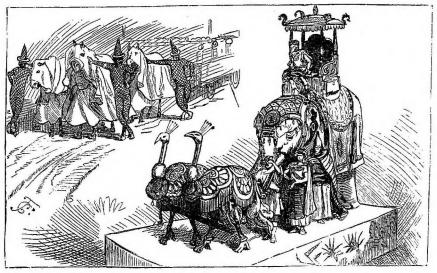
EVERY one who has travelled in South Africa will recognise the familiarity of the little accident which has occurred to the ox-waggon in our illustration. Carelessly driven, the unwieldy vehicle has tripped over a stone, the road being on a slight declivity, the waggon has overbalanced, and deposited the whole of its contents in the road, thus affording much field for thought to the master, and for chatter on the part of the men, as to how Humpty-Dumpty is to be set together again. The sketches have been forwarded by Captain W. R. E. Dalrymple, who, with regard to Sketches 1 and 2, tells us that the two figures represents two Boers, father and son, whom he met in the Transvaal. The father was a colonist of the good old style, of full habit, and wore the traditional broad-brimmed hat. The son had evidently more modern tastes, and was striving to be a dandy—a Transvaal species of Masher or Dude. He had manifestly borrowed his sister's hat for the occasion, as he wore a wayman's riding hat much too small for him. woman's riding hat much too small for him, and bedecked with a green veil.

THE SALVATION ARMY IN INDIA

On September 19th four members of the Salvation Army, who on September 19th four Indian service by General Booth, arrived in Bombay. They comprised one lady, "Lieutenant" Thompson, and three men, "Major" Tucker (formerly an Assistant-Commissioner in the Punjaub), "Captain" Bullard, and "Lieutenant" Norman. No time was lost in organising an opening march, and the members created much astonishment amongst the natives by riding in bullock



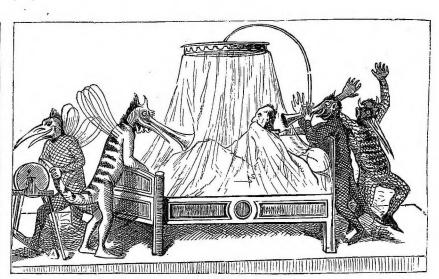
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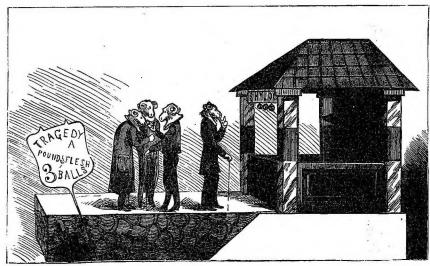
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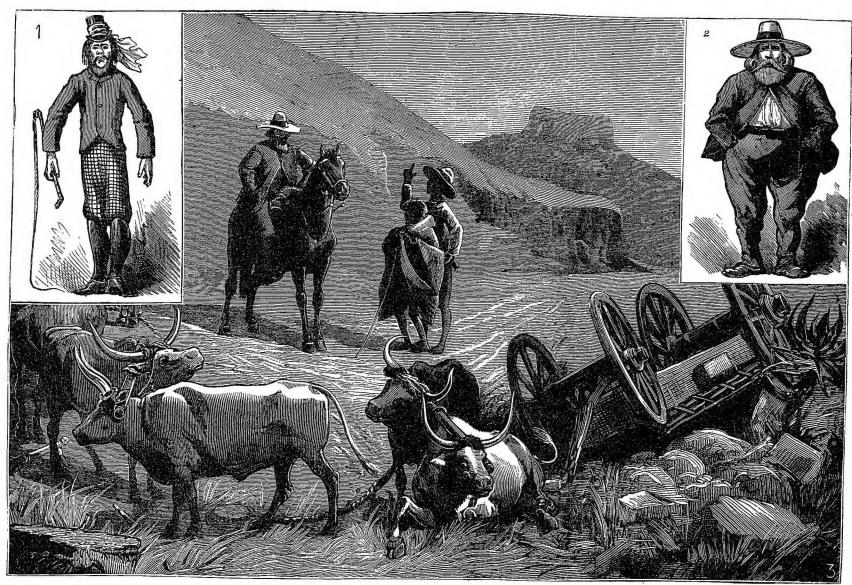
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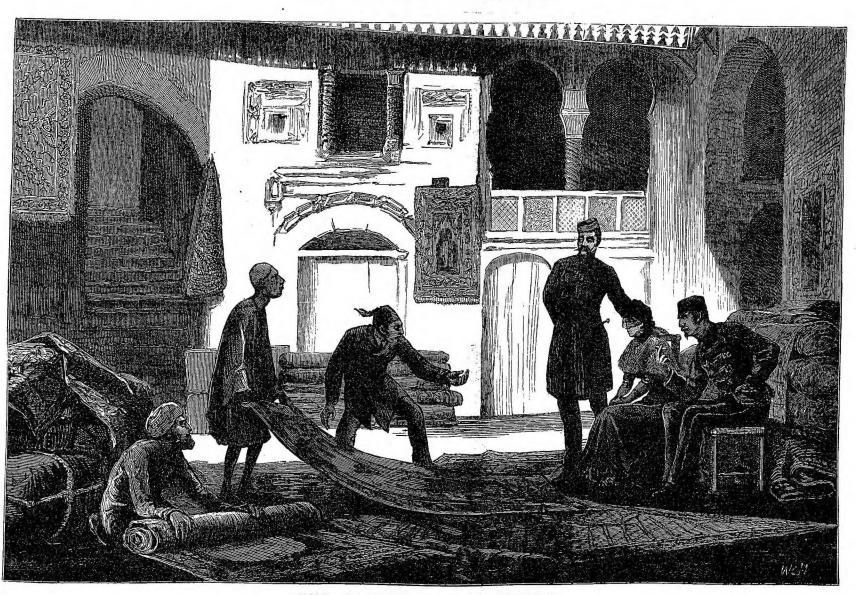


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hackeries—such being the war chariots—dressed in costumes which were neither decidedly English nor Oriental, notwithstanding the puggeries. These were made of white material, tied round in the orthodox fashion, and having in front a yellow ribbon, on which was the word "Muktifauj." The Commissioner of Police had refused permission to Major Tucker for any instruments to be played; but Lieutenant Norman carried a cornet, which, it was announced, was necessary to proclaim the "war cry." When he began to play he was at once arrested; but his companions seemed in no way affected by his loss, but sang hymns lustily, and threw copies of the "War Cry" amongst the crowd. Indeed, though constantly summoned for breaking the laws and police regulations with regard to organising processions, holding meetings, carrying banners, &c., Major Tucker and his colleagues have in no way lost courage, but have become more and more aggressive, both at Bombay and Calcutta, enlisting recruits for their regular army, and establishing a "militia," to which either Europeans or natives, who do not live where a regiment has been established, may belong. Last month Major Tucker was sentenced to a month's imprisonment for belonging to an "unlawful society," and three other Salvationists were fined twenty-five rupees for the same offence. Major Tucker, of course, immediately appealed against this decision. In a copy of the Indian War Cry before us, for February 21, we find a detailed account of the arrest of the Major, three officers, and fifteen privates. It appears that the police objected to "our dear old motto, 'Blood and Fire,'" and intimated that the army would not be allowed to preach or sing in the native towns. Major Tucker persisted, however, though covering the motto with a white patch, so the procession was met by the Deputy Commissioner of Police, who, in ever, though covering the motto with a white patch, so the procession was met by the Deputy Commissioner of Police, who, in procession was met by the Deputy Commissioner of Police, who, in the name of the Queen-Empress, ordered them to stop and disperse. To this the Major replied that he called upon the police to obey Her Majesty's Proclamation of Religious Liberty to all her subjects. Thereupon the party were arrested and marched off, "firing several volleys of 'Amens'. as, of course, they could not call that singing." The same journal contained a detailed advertisement announcing the forthcoming examination as a "Grand Hallelujah Free-and-Easy, by special invitation of the Commissioner of Police, at the Girgaum Police Court. Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee (the magistrate) will preside, and addresses will be given by the Public Prosecutor, the Deputy-Commissioner of Police, and some other police officers, on the work of the Salvation Army. Admission free. Come and see. No collection!" In a Salvationist pamphlet, Major Tucker's defence, which is based upon the above-mentioned Royal Proclamation, there is a little poem, entitled "The Sparrow and the Eighty-ton Guns," beginning thus:—

Four very small sparrows arrived in Bombay,

Four very small sparrows arrived in Bombay, They chirupped and chirupped, so happy were they, The Government came with big gun and array, And vowed they would shoot the little S. A.

Our portraits are from photographs by Mr. G. W. Lawrie, Kussowlie and Umballa, India.

THE NITRO-GLYCERINE PLOTS.

A SERIES of arrests, following closely on those reported last week A SERIES of arrests, following closely on those reported last week at Cork and Liverpool, places beyond doubt the existence of "a danger grave and imminent" from the presence in our midst of a body of conspirators, whose object is the indiscriminate destruction of public buildings and private dwelling houses, and whose only restraint is fear for their own safety. Although the police have been for some time on the track, it was not till the 4th inst. that the first overt step was taken by the despatch of a telegram from Birmingham to Scotland Yard, announcing the departure for London of a man with an iron-hound box of considerable weight from the shop of a certain Albert G. Whitehead of Ledson Street extensible a painter with an iron-bound box of considerable weight from the shop of a certain Albert G. Whitehead, of Ledsam Street, ostensibly a painter and paperhanger in a small way of business, but really known to the police as having been for many weeks engaged in the illicit manufacture of nitro-glycerine. The man, who subsequently gave his name as William Joseph Norman, coach painter, reached London the same evening, and was tracked to a private hotel in Southampton Street, Strand, where he was arrested shortly after midnight by Street, Strand, where he was arrested shortly after midnight by Inspectors Langrish and Mackie, and conveyed to Bow-street. The box was taken in a cab to Woolwich, and handed over to Colonel Lyon, Superintendent of the Laboratory Department, who found it to contain nearly 200 lb. weight of nitro-glycerine, a compound almost half again as strong as dynamite, and from ten to twelve times stronger than gunpowder. Later in the day three other suspected persons were arrested—Thomas Gallagher, a physician, and a man who gave his name as Henry Hayward Wilson, clerk, in a bedroom rented by the latter at 17, Nelson Square, Blackfriars, and Henry Dalton, alias John O'Connor, a compositor, at the American Reading Rooms, in the Strand. In Wilson's portmanteau was found a quantity of nitro-glycerine in two indiarubber fishingwas found a quantity of nitro-glycerine in two indiarubber fishingstockings, which had been converted into bags by tying up the ends, and on Gallagher a large sum of English and American money. At O'Connor's lodgings at Fulham was a diary, with directions for making sulminate of mercury. The four were brought up before Sir James Ingham on the Friday, when the cases against them were briefly stated, and evidence given to justify a remand till the 12th. All were remarkably self-possessed, the prisoner Dalton denying any knowledge of the others, Gallagher professing that he had only met Wilson casually the very morning of his arrest, and Norman that he had fetched the box from Birmingham at the request of a man named "Fletcher," who had engaged the room for him in the Strand. Both Gallagher and Norman are described by the correspondent of the Daily News as of gentlemanly exterior, the former, "a man of medium height, wearing a moustache, and slightly inclined to baldness," the other "a dark young man, without beard or whiskers, and speaking with a strong American accent." Wilson has rather the air of "a shop-boy," and Dalton "short, thick set, and pitted with the small-pox," belongs evidently to a rougher class than his companions. Gallagher, who some believe to be the prime mover in the plot, has been to and fro between England and America more than once in the last few months, and previous to his arrest had a room in the Charing Cross Hotel. He has two brothers at Glasgow, the elder of whom, Bernard, an iron-moulder by trade, was this week arrested on suspicion of having tried to blow up the Canal Viaduct over the Fossil Road. All four were removed on Saturday to Millbank, where there is now a guard of fourteen soldiers and an officer, besides extra police around the outside walls and a Thames police galley to keep watch upon the river. Two other "suspects" were arrested on Saturday, and remanded to appear with the other four on the 12th—James Kirton, a big athletic man, supposed to be the writer of a letter found on Gallagher, and W. Ansburgh, stated to have received visits f stockings, which had been converted into bags by tying up the ends, and on Gallagher a large sum of English and American money. At Hotel, Blackfriars. The consignments of nitro-glycerine were anything but welcome guests at Woolwich, the amount of acids which they retained rendering them singularly difficult to handle without provoking an explosion. The experts, however, proved themselves equal to the task, and the entire mass was got rid of by ignition on Wednesday, though even so a portion, some 25 lbs. in weight, exploded, tearing up the earth to the depth of eighteen inches. The arrest of Norman in London was followed up in Birmingham by that of A. G. Whitehead, who was brought before the magistrates

on the 8th. Suspicion in his case had been first aroused by a chance communication made to Detective-Sergeant Price while attending a Science Class in Chemistry. Skeleton keys were procured from "burglaring friends," and the premises searched by night. In this way evidence was obtained of the work which was carried on at the back of a building, chiefly noted by the neighbours for the apparent absence of all business. Great precautions had been taken to detect the presence of intruders. Strings were stretched across the rooms, and sticks placed aslant against the doors, but the detectives were careful to replace everything as they found it, and, unsuspected, established a ring of watchers round the house, with strict injunctions to follow to their destination whoever should remove case, box, or parcel from within. The prisoner, who was remanded for a week, displayed at first the utmost effrontery in prison, singing Fenian songs and boasting of the friends he had outside. Measures have been taken to prevent any attempt at rescue either in the prison or when Whitehead is brought up again for examination, and a military guard of forty men has been supplied at the request of the authorities from the barracks at Warwick. The nitro-glycerine still left in the vats after Norman had been supplied, and a still larger quantity (170 lbs.) afterwards discovered in a carboy were cleverly and courageously disposed of (for the danger of explosion had been unwittingly increased through incautiously surrounding the carboy with ice) by Mr. Macready, an expert from Nobel's factory at Ardeer, and by Mr. Macready, an expert from Nobel's factory at Ardeer, and by Dr. Hill, the public analyst; and, after being cautiously reduced to the condition of dynamite by mixing with earth, were carried in a police van to a waste piece of land, and there spread lightly over the ground and ignited, burning with an intense heat, and emitting noxious fumes from which those who drew too near were severe sufferers. Whitehead, it is supposed, was the maker of the explosives employed in the recent outrages in Westminster and in Printing House Square. One of his mysterious visitors is known in Printing House Square. One of his mysterious visitors is known to have left his shop the day before for London, and a paper found in his room, with the word "successful," is thought to refer to the result of that experiment; for all the attempts, from the Mansion House explosion in 1881, to that of the other day, are now believed

thouse explosion in 1881, to that of the other day, are now believed to have been more or less experiments, preparatory to the great blow which was to be struck later on.

The Liverpool prisoners, Deasy and Flannigan—the former a stoutly-built man, ruddy, and clean-shaven, and of "a pleasant, but somewhat vacant countenance;" the latter also light-complexioned, but slighter, more active, and more intelligent-looking—were committed for trial by the stipendiary magistrate on Saturday. Both prisoners reserved their defence. Of the evidence for the Crown the most interesting part was Drs. C. Brown and Duprés account of the interesting part was pressed to the evidence for the Saturday. ingenious brass taps for regulating the explosion. By varying the layers of paper, this could be effected in 3 min. 40 sec., or deferred for 41 min. The "splendid services" of the police throughout were the subject of warm praise from the Home Secretary in Parliament, and for special recognition by the Birmingham Watch Committee, who have also bestowed a well-deserved honorarium of ten guiness on the expert Macreedy.

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THE FUNERAL OF MR. JOHN BROWN, A STEAMER'S BOWS AFTER A COLLISION,

O'DONOVAN ROSSA See page 384.

THE CARPET BAZAAR, CAIRO

CAPTAIN G. D. GILES, of the Egyptian Gendarmérie, writes : "Among the many nooks and corners in Cairo it would be hard to find a more picturesque scene than that in the Carpet Bazaar. Skilfully arranged light and shade, artistically-robed merchants, piles of carpets of gorgeous colour and variety of texture, curious old wood and stonework, all tend to make up a scene which, once seen, is not soon forgotten."

THE REVOLT IN THE SOUDAN

THE Soudan, or "Land of the Blacks," is a large district lying to the South of Egypt which, until late years, was practically to the South of Egypt which, until late years, was practically independent, the various tribes governing themselves and remaining apart from the general race of Egyptians. Mehemet Ali, however, with his warlike spirit conquered Sennaar and Kordofan, and Ismail in 1869 occupied Darfur, and, overthrowing the chief Sebehr, annexed the province. In 1872 Ismail united the Soudan, Darfur, and the provinces of the Equator into one administrative province, called the Soudan—a region 1,640 miles in length and about 660 miles broad. Except when under "Chinese" Gordon, whose personal influence amongst all classes in Africa was truly remarkable, and who did so much, both by his sword and speech, towards securing the Soudan for Egypt, that province has never shown signs of being reconciled to Khédivial rule. The people retained their valour and natural independence, and the corrupt resime of the Cairenes was by no means to their liking. Suleiman, Sebehr's son, was subdued by Colonel Gordon; but on the departure of the latter the Soudanese were ready to seize the first chance to shake off the Egyptian yoke. They raised Suleiman, Sebehr's son, was subdued by Colonel Gordon; but on the departure of the latter the Soudanese were ready to seize the first chance to shake off the Egyptian yoke. They raised the war cry, "This is our land; we want no Khédive here;" and on the appearance of the Mahdi, or false prophet, eagerly became the followers of a leader who promised to be a second Mahomed, and secure their temporal independence and eternal welfare. During the Anglo-Egyptian campaign last year the movement made considerable progress, the Egyptian troops being constantly defeated, and the garrisons being barely able to hold their own. On the restoration of peace, however, it was determined to despatch reinforcements to Khartoum, and some of the newly-formed regiments were sent off under a number of British officers who had taken service with the Egyptian Government. Thus General Hicks Pasha is the Chief of the Staff, being assisted by Colonel the Hon. J. Colborne (late 11th), Colonel de Caillogan (late 70th), Major Farquhar (late Grenadier Guards), Major Martin (late Baker's Horse), Captain Warner (late 12th), Captain Massey (Middlesex Militia), Surgeon-Major Rosenburg, M.D. (Edinburgh), and Captain Evans, Intelligence Department. General Hicks and his officers proceeded to Suez in the early part of February, and embarking on board a war sloop, in four days reached Souakin, the port on the Red Sea whence the overland journey to Khartoum was to be made. A second vessel conveyed several Egyptian officers, a Roman Catholic Missionary Bishop, and five priests, en route for Khartoum under the special protection of the Khédive.—Our engravings are from sketches by Colonel the five priests, en route for Khartoum under the special protection of the Khédive.—Our engravings are from sketches by Colonel the Hon. J. Colborne, who writes, "We arrived at Souakin, Red Sea, on the 9th, and left for Berber, on dromedaries, on Feb. 13th, a force of 150 Bashi-Bazouks preceded us one day, 80 Egyptian officers and soldiers accompanied us. It is reported that the Mahdi beleaguers Eloband, the capital of Kordofan, where there is a garrison, and that the road between this town and Khartoum is infested by the Mahdi's followers, broken up into bands of brigands. Berber, on the road to Khartoum on the Nile, was reached on the 25th, and right glad were the officers that their weary and 25th, and right grad were and officers that their weary and fatiguing march was over. The Governor of the district met us the night before they entered, at our encampment, about eight miles from the town. The Governor and his escort, mounted on dromedaries, the town. The Governor and his escort, mounted on dromedaries, preceded General Hicks in line as a guard of honour. On arriving, the narrow and tortuous streets were found lined by Bashi-Bazouks, and Soudanese and Egyptian troops. The flag on the Governor's house was dipped and a salute fired as the English officers entered the Government House. We were entertained with cigarettes and coffee, and received with every respect and honour. An A.D.C. of the Khédive's accompanied the staff all the way from Cairo. No less than 379 miles were accomplished in thirteen days, the greater part of the marches being made by moonlight, the last day's work being over thirty miles."

THE ICONOCLASTS

Is this gay young gentleman a downright fanatic, a disciple of those stern spirits who believed that they were doing God good service by breaking down the carved work of the Temple with axes and hammers; or is he a mischievous youth of the period, who, having come into possession of a much-coveted pistols, is "potting" the saints and martyrs depicted on the precious stained-glass? Anyhow, he is an iconoclast, be his motives exalted or base; and the girl at his side does not attempt to restrain his destructiveness, but is rather an abettor of his deeds.

THE COCK TAVERN A.D. 1750 See page 391.

"LIKE SHIPS UPON THE SEA"

MRS. FRANCES TROLLOPE'S New Story, illustrated by Sydney Hall, is continued on page 389.

THE PENN BI-CENTENARY

THIS engraving, which is from a picture by an American artist, Mr. Howard Pyle, represents the reception accorded to William Penn, on the occasion of his first visit to America in 1682, by the settlers who had already founded a flourishing colony on the banks of the Delaware. The Welcome, with the Governor on board, anchored off the port of Newcastle, Delaware, just nine weeks after quitting Deal, on October 27th, 1682. "Penn's landing," says the late Mr. Hepworth Dixon, "made a general holiday in the town; for young and old, Dutch, English, Swedes, and Germans, crowded to the landing place, each eager to catch a glimpse of the man who was said to come amongst them less as their lord and governor than as their friend. Next day he called the people together in the Dutch Court House, where he went through the legal forms of taking possession. Deeds were produced, and charters read. He then addressed the people in profoundest silence; he explained the nature of his powers, and his desire to exercise them only provisionally and for the general good." Several conferences were subsequently held, a charter of liberties was issued, a democratic form of government was instituted, and the city of Philadelphia was planned and founded. At this time also was made the celebrated treaty with several Indian tribes—the only treaty, says Voltaire, "never sworn to and never broken." THIS engraving, which is from a picture by an American artist,

HITES COVE GOLD MINE, CALIFORNIA

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HITES COVE is one of those Californian mines from which vast fortunes have been taken. It is situate in a most lovely spot in the heart of the Sierra Nevada, and, as its name signifies, is built in a kind of inland cove. In the first picture, which our artist has engraved from photographs taken on the spot, the rugged and barren rocks are admirably shown; and, as is the case with all mining camps, Hites Cove is dependent upon the mine entirely for its existence, hence the few houses required for the miners are built as near to the works as possible. The little wooden boxes, or "cabins," that dot the hill-side are built of the roughest boards, and to any but miners would be uninhabitable. Luxuries are not dreamed of. A stove, a bunk, some blankets, and a trunk, with a few boxes for seats, are all the articles of furniture the room possesses. But the large "verandahed" building in the second view is the miners' pride. It is "our" boarding-house, where meals are served with a style and elegance that would not disgrace a first-class English hotel.

In the fifth scene the exclusiveness of the Mongolians is shown, for they build apart from the whites, and have their own town, which is called "Chinatown." View 6 shows the Quartz Mill, in which the ore is reduced to powder, before going through the further processes of extracting the precious metals. The next scene shows the lower post of the will and the white process the further processes of extracting the precious metals. The next scene shows the lower part of the mill, and the white mass represents the "sulphurets," or crushed ore, which contains metals mingled largely with sulphur, hence its name. The sulphurets are placed in the wooden troughs, or "sluice boxes," and washed. The water carries off the mud and dirt, and the heavier, or metallic substances, remain behind. This valuable matter is then taken to the Pan Mill (Scene 9), and there cast into huge pans, in which various chemicals are mixed. Heavy machinery stirs up this mass or batter," and the chemicals, having an affinity with the metals, draw them and sink to the bottom of the pan. The top matter is allowed to drain away, and the valuable portion is conveyed to the furnace and retort ere it becomes marketable "bullion." And that these mountains and apparently sterile regions are capable or cultithese mountains and apparently sterile regions are capable of cultivation the Garden View fully shows. Irrigation is the only important thing necessary to secure the most productive crops of fruit and regetables.

These engravings are from photographs forwarded to us by the Rev. George W. James, Eureka, Nevada, U.S.A.



THE DAILY EXCITEMENT of successive arrests of men supposed to be bent upon the hopeful task of establishing Irish Independence by lighting fires in our English cities has thrown this week all other matters into the shade. The arrests have been described elsewhere. matters into the shade. The arrests have been described elsewhere. The activity of the police has hitherto prevented serious mischief, and men of science are disposed to doubt whether the new explosives have the wide-reaching power that has been ascribed to them. Steamers from Ireland and abroad are closely watched, and a suspicious package, labelled "Paper," but in fact containing explosive substances, found on Monday on a Hamburg boat, was at once consigned to Woolwich Arsenal. Forts and magazines are doubly guarded. At Chatham no civilian is allowed within the lines, even the representatives of the press at the recent presentation of Egyptian Medals to the Engineers having been marched under escort to and from the place assigned to them. At marched under escort to and from the place assigned to them. At Liverpool, Bradford, and Manchester all buildings on which an attack might be expected—the Town Halls at Manchester and and the Liverpool Post Office more especially-have been placed under police supervision. A new police steamer has been stationed on the Thames to cruise off Woolwich day and night. In the City the report of the Police Committee has been adopted recommending an increase of the present force by the

THE SEAT FOR SOUTHAMPTON, vacated by the elevation of Mr. Butt, Q.C., to the Bench, has been filled without a contest by Mr. Alfred Giles, who sat for the borough in the last two years of the last Parliament. The change involves the gain of a vote for the Conservatives.—The address of confidence in Sir Stafford Northcote, which was forwarded to him on Tuesday, received the signatures of 200 members of the Lower House, or in other cote, which was forwarded to him on Tuesday, received the signatures of 200 members of the Lower House, or in other words of all the Conservative M.P.'s in town, excepting members of the late Administration, Mr. Newdegate, and Lord R. Churchill. — A Knight Commandership of the Order of the Bath has been bestowed by Her Majesty on the Right Hon. Lyon Playfair, M.P. for the Universities of Edinburgh and St. Andrew's, and late Chairman of Ways and Means, and

Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons.—Lord Granville and Mr. Fawcett were both slightly indisposed last week, the Postmaster-General from a cold caught at Salisbury, Lord Granville from a slight rheumatic attack, but are now nearly well.—The opening dinner of the National Liberal Club will be held on the 2nd of May in the Aquarium, when Mr. Gladstone will attend. More than 1,500 members are expected to be present. The presidency of its rival, the Constitutional, has been accepted by Lord Salisbury. Sir Stafford Northcote and other influential Conservatives appear among the vice-presidents.

THE FOUNDATION for the pedestal of Signor Razzi's statue of Lord Beaconsfield has now been laid in the ornamental grounds of Parliament Square. The statue will stand back to back with that of Peel, thus facing the Abbey. It will be unveiled by Sir S. Northcote on Monday next.—Mr. Gladstone has declined to accede to the request of the Vice-Chairman of the Church Defence Institution that he would receive a deputation from the algrical promotivities. to the request of the Vice-Chairman of the Church Defence Institu-tion that he would receive a deputation from the clerical memorialists against the Affirmation Bill. The Premier "has not the freedom of time or mind to enter into oral discussions, and must beg the Institution to excuse him."—Mr. Bright has written a snappish little letter to a Rochdale tradesman who complains of unjust assessment under the income-tax. "The tax," he says, "is very unjust, but our foreign policy, so stupid, so often wicked, and so often costly, makes it necessary. I preach against the policy, and am much conour foreign policy, so supid, so often wicked, and so often costry, makes it necessary. I preach against the policy, and am much condemned by public writers. What can I do more?" The Bright celebration at Birmingham has been definitely fixed for the week commencing June 11. On the last day (Saturday) the portrait and service of plate which have been subscribed for will be presented to the veteran statesman at a mass meeting in Bingley Hall.

THE DYNAMITE CONSPIRACY has left only sporadic traces in Ireland itself, though rumour speaks of a design to blow up the house in which certain Crown witnesses were lodged, and of experiments with explosives carried on during the winter in quarries and waste places around Cork. The four men arrested last week in that city have been again remanded for eight days.—The two carboys sent by steamer from Glasgow to O'Herlihy, and supposed to contain dangerous explosives, will prove, it is thought, on examination to be chemicals required for his business as an ink manufacturer.—The trial of the Kilmainham prisoners, which was to have commenced on Monday, after the finding of a true bill against the Brader, and expect the content of the Joe Brady, underwent two adjournments, through the inability of some of the counsel assigned to act, and the refusal of others to proceed unless time were given to analyse the evidence. Ultimately proceed unless time were given to analyse the evidence. Ultimately the onerous duty was accepted, on the condition of a postponement till Wednesday morning, by Dr. Webb, Q.C., Mr. R. Adams, and Mr. D. B. Sullivan. The first trials are not expected to last long, as the prisoners will be arraigned on the single charge of the wilful murder of the late Mr. Burke. The first to be tried are Brady, T. Kelly, T. Caffrey, Pat Delaney, Fitzharris, and Dan Curley. The prisoners and the five Crown witnesses against them—James and Peter Carey, J. Farrell, Lamie, and Michael Kavanagh—were brought down to Green Street each day in two police vans, under a strong escort, and escorted back in like manner by fifty Dragoons, twenty mounted police, and a number of constables on cars. twenty mounted police, and a number of constables on cars.

The trial of Brady began on Wednesday with the examination of Farrell and James Carey—the latter cool, dandified, and indifferent Evidence, it is said, will be given to connect some of the more prominent prisoners with E. Tynan, the No. 1, and it will be shown that the Dublin Directorate consisted of Tynan, James Mullett (No. 2), Carey (No. 3), Dan Curley (No. 4), and M'Caffery (No. 5).— In only three Poor Law Unions out of ten, in which they were once strong, did the Land Leaguers, according to the Freeman's Journal In only three Poor Law Unions out of ten, in which they were once strong, did the Land Leaguers, according to the Freeman's Journal, carry their candidates this year—at Cashel, Mullingar, and Tulla. To these must now be added Loughrea, where the Nationalists hold twenty-two seats, among them one which was wrested from Mr. Toole, a much-respected land agent, by Mr. J. M'Carthy, who has been charged with complicity in the murder of Police-constable Linton.—A languid meeting in aid of the Parnell Testimonial Fund was held on Saturday at the Mansion House, under the presidency of Lord Mayor Dawson. The fund, though started some months since, only amounts now to 800%, and only counts among its supporters eight Roman Catholic Bishops, twelve members of Parliament, and about 130 of the clergy. Mr. Parnell himself has given up all thoughts of going to America, where, indeed, the partisans of dynamite would receive him as a worthy, good man, but altogether dynamite would receive him as a worthy, good man, but altogether behind the time. Ill-health for once has done service by supplying him with a convenient excuse.—An enthusiastic meeting against Sunday closing, and another almost as well attended in its favour, were held last Sunday in the Phœnix Park. Mr. Connolly, T.C., presided over the first, and numerous signatures were attached to a nettition product of the control petition against a measure which was humorously described as the 48th Coercion Act for Ireland.—The Cork Town Council, following the example of Dublin, adopted last week a petition against the Bill by a majority of 19 to 7.

THE BODIES of Professor Palmer, Captain Gill, and Lieutenant THE BODIES of Professor Palmer, Captain Gill, and Lieutenant Charrington were laid to rest on Friday morning in the crypt of St. Paul's, in the presence of a select congregation of some 400 or 500 persons, amongst whom were the Earl of Northbrook, Lord Alcester, Colonel Yule, and many other officers of distinction. The Service was read by the Dean of St. Paul's in the crypt chapel, and the Lessson by Canon Liddon. The coffin, made in Portsmouth Dockyard of English oak to enclose the box containing the remains, was then carried, covered with the Union Jack, and loaded with flowers, to the grave on the south side, half way between the tombs of Wellington and Nelson.

THE TOWN HALL AT ROCHDALE, built at a cost of 170,000/., had a narrow escape this week of perishing by fire. As it was, the beautiful octagon spire was entirely destroyed, though the hall itself was saved. The damage done has been estimated at 70,000%

THE BILL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RAILWAY up Borrow-THE BILL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A KALLWAY UP BORROW-dale to the top of Honister Pass was withdrawn last Monday by its promoters. It was the last survivor of three schemes, each of which would have spoilt some picturesque locality. Of the other two, the New Forest Railway Bill fell stillborn, that for a line from Chingford to High Beech was rejected on the second reading.

A FINAL MEETING OF THE MANSION HOUSE COMMITTEE for the relief of sufferers by the Jamaica fire was held on Saturday. 7,150% have been raised, of which 3,380% have been already sent to Kingston. The local committee there have received in all 12,300%, and disbursed 9,500%. The balance falls short of the applications by 10,000/.; but Government will aid by a measure for facilitating loans to rebuild houses.

THE RIGHT HON. W. C. YELVERTON, VISCOUNT AVONMORE in the Irish peerage, died at Biarritz on the 1st of April, in his fifty-ninth year. The deceased peer will be long remembered for the protracted litigation as to the legality of his marriage with the late Theresa Longworth between 1861 and 1864.

ADDRESSES OF CONGRATULATION, and thanks for their services in Egypt, were presented on Wednesday, in the Guildhall, by the Corporation of the City of London, to Lord Alcester and Lord Wolseley. The freedom of the City and a sword of honour were also presented to the former, and the address to Lord Wolseley was enclosed in a magnificent gold casket. In the evening there was a banquet in the Egyptian Hall, when speeches were delivered by the guests of the evening, the Duke of Cambridge, and Mr. Childers. A further account of the proceedings will appear, with illustrations, in our next number. in our next number.

"LECTURES ON PAINTING"*

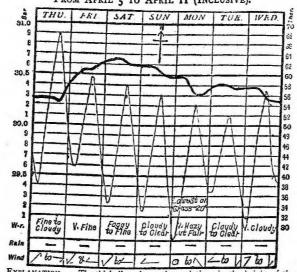
THESE admirable lectures—a selection from those delivered by Mr. Armitage to the students of the Royal Academy between 1876 and 1882—will prove as acceptable to the art-loving public as they were to the audience for whom they were originally composed. Rich in cultured criticism and practical teaching, they are the ripened fruits of long experience and of a taste which was formed in the best days of long experience and of a taste which was formed in the pest days of French Art. A dozen lectures cover, with one omission, the entire domain of pictorial Art—choice of subject, costume and incident, composition and grouping, colour, drawing, finish, and last, not least, what to imitate or to avoid in the great modern schools of England and the Continent, whose influence over the impressionable student may make or mar his whole career. The one void space in the present volume, caused by the perhaps unavoidable omission of the lectures on the great painters of the fifteenth, sixteenth, and seventeenth controller was own a controller with the controller was own a controller was one of the controller was own a controller was own a controller was own a controller was own a controller was own as of the controller was one of t lectures on the great painters of the fifteenth, sixteenth, and seventeenth centuries, inspires, we own, a certain regret that it was not in some degree made good by at least a single connecting chapter; not only for the sake of symmetry, but because for periods about which so many books have been written we should have rejoiced in a few pages of the sound and healthy criticism which Mr. Armitage is so well qualified to give. Even as it is, the critical survey of the leading schools of painting will be to the general reader the most interesting portion of the volume, while at the same time it gives the key-note of all Mr. Armitage's teachings—the necessity, that is, of keeping in view the perfect ideal of correct Art, and of avoiding every tendency to make sensation by methods really alien to Art, though often not devoid of a certain attractiveness. Eccentric effects and caprices of fashion are the two rocks on which many a genius has suffered shipwreck.

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The criticism of the old Byzantine schools on the one hand and of the modern impressionists on the other, are good examples of the steady purpose with which Mr. Armitage keeps his hearers in the right path. We are not quite sure but that the lecturer is a little hard on the "ascetic hideousness" which marked the former school at its worst period—the period when the monks were the real designers of the picture, and the poor artist had only to put on the gold and lay in the colours as quickly as he could. But he is right in saying that Cimabue, Giotto, and the Quattro Cento painters were really hampered by theByzantine rules, and would have been better had they been left alone to their own untutored genius, and to the influence of the still extant monu-The criticism of the old Byzantine schools on the one hand and of untutored genius, and to the influence of the still extant monuments of antiquity; and that the modern student who sees something ments of antiquity; and that the modern student who sees something to tempt him in the colouring, and something too in the ascetic ideal of this school, must beware lest he be led from the one true path of Art. More perilous tempters still will be those latest triumphs of eccentricity which "have at a distance a reminiscence of nature, but when viewed nearer resolve themselves into smears of paint generally plastered on with a knife." The "multitude pass them by with a laugh or with bewilderment; the cultured artist shrugs his shoulders; but the dilettanti with a smattering of Art-knowledge delight in them." "It flatters their vanity to supplement out of their inner consciousness the artists' shortcomings." Another modern fault, especially characteristic of the school of Fortuny, is the want of homogeneous work—the draperies are graceful and easy, the heads homogeneous work—the draperies are graceful and easy, the heads of the figures hard and laboured and resembling a photograph.

Mr. Armitage, as all know, was a pupil of Delaroche, one of the greatest masters of composition, at a time when Ingrès was the doyen of French painters, and Flandrin, his most illustrious pupil, just beginning to be known; and in these lectures the Art-student just beginning to be known; and in these lectures the Art-student will breathe all through the spirit of a grand school whose traditions are too often neglected for quick and irregular roads to popularity. Drawing was then the first essential. No ill-drawn design was permitted to be coloured; it was returned again and again until it satisfied the master's eye. The pictures which the pupil aspired to paint were finished compositions, not single incidents, and the mysteries of effective grouping and the subtle play of light and shade were studied in a way which many now would consider too laborious or too mechanical. The lecture on costume is another delightful chapter full of unobtrusive research, which tells the student just what he requires for effective and truthful the student just what he requires for effective and truthful mise-en-scène, while leaving him to pursue or not the minuter studies of the antique, whose full results we see in the pictures of Alma Tadema. Another admirable lecture on a subject Mr. Armitage has made especially his own is that on fresco-painting and mural decorations. But that which in our eyes gives this volume its greatest charm is the delightful way in which every page is interpenetrated with a soberness of taste which refuses to bow down to any idols of the hour, and steadily holds up to the student, as in a mirror, the one true image of correct Art.

WEATHER CHART FOR THE WEEK FROM APRIL 5 TO APRIL II (INCLUSIVE).



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Explanation.—The thick line shows the variations in the height of the barometer during the past week ending Wednesday midnight. The fine line shows the shade temperature for the same interval, and gives the maximum and minimum readings for each day, with the (approximate) time at which they occurred. The information is furnished to us by the Meteorological Office.

Remarks.—Throughout this period the weather has been fine, with the air dry, the wind cold, mostly from the eastward. Pressure has been high generally, and no important changes in height or distribution have occurred in this neighbourhood. On the first day barometrical readings were very uniform, and fine weather, with light westerly airs, prevailed. During Friday (6th inst.) the mercury increased in height steadily, and the area of highest readings lay over northern England; very fine weather ensued, with strong north-easterly to light easterly winds. Saturday and Sunday (7th and 8th inst.) found pressure distribution still very uniform, and fine weather was again experienced, with light easterly airs. No material change, either in height or distribution of pressure, occurred on Monday (6th inst.), but a gloomy haze prevailed nearly all day, and the air was calm. On Tuesday and Wednesday (1oth and 11th inst.) very similar conditions to those of preceding days (less fog) were experienced. Temperature shows a decided fall between Thursday and Friday (5th and 6th inst.), after which it receded very regularly till Tuesday (10th inst.), when indications of an improvement set in. The barometer was highest (30 '80' nor Thursday (5th inst.); range, 0'44 inches. Temperature was highest (63') on Thursday (5th inst.); range, 0'44 inches. Temperature was highest (63') on Thursday (5th inst.); range, 0'44 inches. Temperature was highest (63') on Thursday (5th inst.); over (29') on Monday (9th inst.); range, 30'. No rain fell throughout the week.

* "Lectures on Painting." By Edward Armitage, R.A. Trübner and Co.



A BAZAAR will be held in the buildings of Highgate School on the 19th, 20th, and 21st inst., in aid of the fund for adding two new wards to the Convalescent Home for Children, All Saints, Highgate. The Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh will open the Bazaar on the 19th inst., at 3 P.M.

THE CHERRY TREE FELLED BY MR. GLADSTONE in a snow-THE CHERRY TREE FELLED BY MIR, GLADSHONE IN a snow-storm during the Easter Recess has been sent as a present to the Burslem Liberals, in order to be converted into souvenirs which may be sold for the benefit of their club. As the tree is twenty-eight feet long the Burslemites will probably get a good profit from their treasure.

THE GREAT WIGGINS STORM which was predicted on the American coasts for March 10th and never came off has cost the Gloucester fishermen in Massachusetts 25,000%, besides injuring other business interests. Believing the prediction, the fishermen carefully avoided going to sea at that time, and thereby lost over 3,000,000 lbs. of fish.

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The Empress of Germany gives an Easter Egg Hunt every to the pupils of her Institute at Charlottenburg. The eggs are year to the pupils of her Institute at Charlottenburg. The eggs are hidden carefully in various pieces of furniture in the Empress's apartments, and both the Empress Augusta and the Imperial Princesses are highly amused by watching the girls search vigorously in every corner for their gifts in every corner for their gifts.

THE PARIS LOUVRE has been presented with Eugène Delacroix's huge painting of the "Shipwreck of Don Juan," for which 12,000% were offered some years ago. The picture is taken from the second canto of Byron's poem, and represents a dismasted boat tossing on a tempestuous sea, while the starving occupants are drawing lots to decide who shall die to satisfy the others' hunger.

THE FAMOUS BELGIAN cause célèbre, the Peltzer trial, has been played at a Brussels theatre as the Drame de la Rue de la Loi, true to the life in every particular of the ghastly story. The mother of the two criminals, Madame Peltzer, appealed to the law to stop the performance, but the authorities had no power to prevent it, and the niere was brought out amidst a perfect unrear. and the piece was brought out amidst a perfect uproar.

Locks of Lamartine's Hair are being offered in Paris as a bait for subscribers to the French poet's intended statue. For a donation of 4t. a tiny locket will be given containing a few hairs collected by an industrious barber, who for twenty years preserved every scrap which was cut from Lamartine's head. When the poet died a small portion of these capillary treasures was distributed died a small portion of these capillary treasures was distributed among literary celebrities—St. Beuve, Dumas, &c.,—and the remainder was sealed up as a relic and handed over to a lawyer for safe keeping.

ARABI AND HIS FELLOW-EXILES IN CEYLON occupy their time in studying English, for Arabi declares, so says *The Times of India*, "that the debt of gratitude he owes to England is sufficient inducement to him to endeavour to have it in his power some day to express his thanks in the English language." The families of the rebel leaders are equally industrious students of our tongue, as the sons of Mahmoud Ali Fehmy attends the Government Normal School daily in the English class, while the various daughters are to be taught at home. Meanwhile all the exiles are in excellent health except Toulba Pasha. who suffers from his old complaint, asthma. time in studying English, for Arabi declares, so says The Times of except Toulba Pasha, who suffers from his old complaint, asthma.

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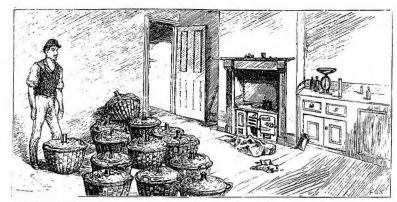
LONDON MORTALITY decreased last week, and 1,940 deaths were registered, against 2,148 during the previous seven days, a decline of 208, being 131 above the average, and at the rate of 25'6 per 1,000. These deaths included 1 from small-pox, 51 from measles (a fall of 7), 15 from scarlet fever (a decline of 14), 20 from diphtheria (a rise of 8), 42 from whooping-cough (a decrease of 1), 3 from typhus fever, 13 from enteric fever (a decline of 13), 7 from ill-defined forms of fever, and 9 from diarrhea (a fall of 8). Deaths referred to diseases of the respiratory organs numbered 612 (a fall of 60, but being 120 above the average), of which 270 were attriof 60, but being 129 above the average), of which 379 were attributed to bronchitis and 154 to pneumonia. Different forms of violence caused 58 deaths; 50 were the result of negligence or accident. Seven cases of suicide were registered. There were 2,928 births registered, against 2,714 during the previous week.

THE LATE CAPTAIN GILL, R.E.—A committee has been formed for establishing a memorial to mark the esteem felt by his formed for establishing a memorial to mark the esteem felt by his friends for this gallant and adventurous officer, who, as one of Professor Palmer's party, was murdered last August in the Desert of Sinai. Among the distinguished names which appear on the list of the Committee are those of H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge and Lord Wolseley. As Captain Gill was educated at Brighton College, it is proposed to commemorate his name by founding a scholarship there for the sons of officers of the army in reduced circumstances, the nomination to such scholarship to rest with the authorities at the War Office and India Office. Contributions for this purpose will be gratefully received by Captain C. F. C. Beresford, K.E., Adair House, War Office, S.W., or by Henry Griffith, Esq., the Hon. Secretary of the Committee of Old Brightonians, Montpellier Lodge, Brighton.

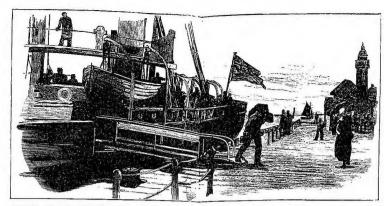
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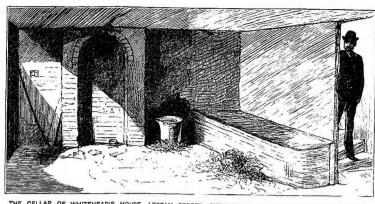
As THE PARIS SALON OPENS IN LITTLE MORE THAN A FORTNIGHT, the Gallic Art world is full of rumours respecting the quality
of the coming display. Since the artists took the management in
their own hands a good deal of inferior work has been hung, and
many reliable authorities strongly favour a return to the old system
of State supervision. The various juries have nearly done their
work, the paintings having been finished some time since, while last
week was devoted to architectural drawings and engravings, and
this week to sculpture. Altogether 4,900 oils were sent in—300
more than last year—and 3,184 water-colours, drawings, miniatures,
and china paintings. Scarcely anything is known about the contributions of the more prominent artists, though long lists of the
works of minor painters have been published. One of the expected
attractions will be a huge "high life" picture, by M. Giron,
depicting a crowd of fashionable and artistic celebrities gathered in
the Place de la Madeleine, on their way for the afternoon drive in
the Bois. There will also be a likeness of the Prince of Wales
by M. de Grimm, and two portraits by Mdlle. Abbéma,
while the well-known actress, Mdlle. Pierson, has found time
for a little genre picture, "Chez la Modiste." American painters
will be well represented, notwithstanding the recent unpleasantness
about the new import duties, and among the foremost works will be
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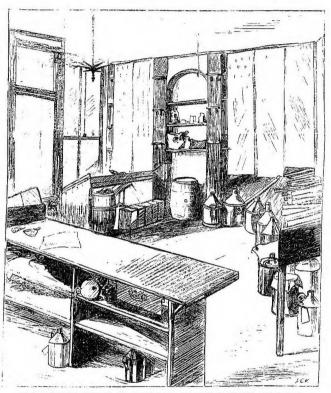
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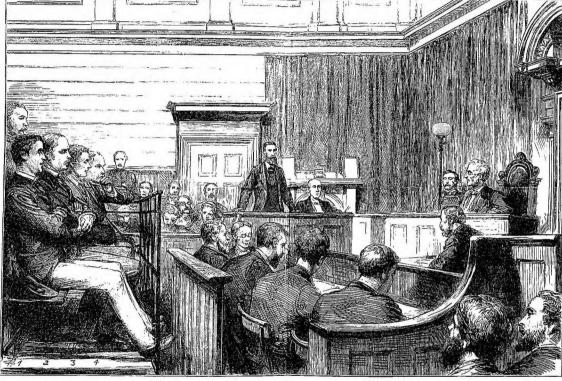
ARRIVAL AT THE LIVERPOOL LANDING-STAGE OF THE CORK STEAMER WITH DENNIS DEASY ON BOARD MARCH 28



THE CELLAR OF WHITEHEAD'S HOUSE, LEDSAM STREET, BIRMINGHAM, WHERE THE NITRO-GLYCERINE WAS STORED



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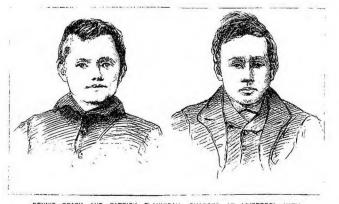


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THE KITCHEN OF WHITEHEAD'S HOUSE, LEDSAM STREET, BIRMINGHAM, USED AS A NITRO-GLYCERINE DISTILLERY



DENNIS DEASY AND PATRICK FLANNIGAN, CHARGED AT LIVERPOOL WITH HAVING EXPLOSIVES IN THEIR POSSESSION



THE MAGISTERIAL EXAMINATION AT LIVERPOOL OF DENNIS DEASY AND PATRICK FLANNIGAN



EXTERIOR OF WHITEHEAD'S SHOP, LEDSAM STREET, BIRMINGHAM



RARELY since the close of the Franco-German War has there been a period of such complete political tranquillity as at present prevails throughout Europe, and the dynamite discoveries in England, and a Bismarckian article on Foreign Affairs in the North German Gazette have formed the only noteworthy themes of international discussion. The article is one of those inspired manifestos which Prince Bismarck always loves to launch in a political lull, so that it may be the more read and inwardly digested, and, as is generally the case, its contents have given rise to a useful controversy, from which the popular opinions of the various nations with regard to certain burning questions may be gathered. Taking as its text Signor Mancini's broad hints in the Italian Parliament that Italy had joined the German-Austrian alliance, the article, while making an especial point of not confirming the report that any such alliance exists, lays great stress upon the fact that such a union would be by no means aggressive, but essentially defensive, because if any one of the three Powers were attacked and vanquished, neither of the two others would feel so secure. Nothing at present was to be feared from France, but should one man get the upper hand, and seek to gain popularity by stirring up the bellicose feelings of his countrymen, "logic and policy" would induce the "three pacific Powers" to intervene for the maintenance of peace should one of them be threatened. The patronising way in which the present Government of France is spoken of, and the hints about what would happen should she decide to change it, have drawn forth the most angry comments from the French Press, and Republicans and Bonapartists alike have protested against the notion that Germany should directly aspire to interfere in the internal affairs of her neighbour.

Indeed this has formed almost the only topic of interest in FRANCE, whence there is little news of outside interest this week. The dynamite discoveries in England have, of course, been widely discussed, and while the energy and resource of the British police are highly praised the grave importance of such a conspiracy is set forth, and forms a text for advocating a species of international league against the machinations of international iconoclasts. Thus the Parlement remarks, with some justice, that "the old principle of the non-extradition of political criminals cannot be applied to these votaries of general assassination. Just as the progress of general order has brought about the suppression of sanctuaries in churches and other consecrated places, so must all European States renounce the duty of protecting enemies not of one form of Government, but of society." The dynamite faction in France is also active, and a miner at Montceau les Mines has had his cottage blown up by some miscreants. Of social items the chief is the death of that famed Ultramontane editor, M. Louis Veuillot, at the age of seventy. M. Veuillot, who was the son of a working cooper, has ever distinguished himself as a lay partisan of the Extreme Catholic Party, and twenty years ago may be said to have had more power and influence than any French Bishop. His journal, L'Univers, was looked upon as the official organ of the Pope, with whom he was naturally a great favourite, while his quarrel with Bishop Dupanloup and the Moderate Party of the French Clergy and his warm advocacy of the doctrine of Infallibility are matters of history. When dying the Pope sent him his blessing in articulo mortis, and his funeral was attended by the Archbishop of Paris and a long train of clergy. Considerable amusement has been caused in Paris by the action of the Académie des Sciences, which recently divided the mathematical prize of 3,000 francs between the late Professor Henry J. S. Smith and a Königsberg student, Herman Minkowsky, but has had to rescind i

In ITALY Prince Bismarck's utterances have been received with mingled feelings—of mistrust with regard to the pacific assurances towards France, of satisfaction as to the picture drawn of the necessity for at least a tacit alliance between Italy and the German Powers. The Italian Budget this year is exceedingly favourable, and on Sunday Signor Magliani announced that last year's surplus, estimated at 280,000/., had reached 480,000/., and would have been 1,600,000/. but for the inundations in Venetia. The revenue showed an increase of nearly a million sterling, and the Minister stated that the improvement was due to the economic progress of the nation—the commerce of the country having increased in the last ten years by 20,000,000/. Thus he hoped that Italy would know how to develop her trade without resorting to Protective principles. The Minister referred to the approaching withdrawal of the paper currency, which he anticipated would be carried on without trouble of any kind, and turning to the Budget of 1884, gave the details of his scheme for the suppression of the grist tax, and maintained that the proposed revision of the Customs tariff should be approved by Parliament.

In Turkey the Porte is busily striving to hold her own with the various Powers, who on their side are all endeavouring to utilise Ottoman weakness and indecision for their own ends. The chief bone of contention at present is the revision of the various commercial treaties. Russia is dissatisfied with the arrangements proposed with her, and demands that she shall be treated on the same footing as England. In consequence, the Porte is anxious to rescind the promise to England to continue the old treaty until the conclusion of the new. It is also wrangling with Italy on very much the same point, only that Power demands a continuance not for one but for seven years. One vexed question, however, has at last been settled—the site of the proposed junction for the Servian railway, the Sultan having yielded to Austria, and having agreed to the selection of Vrania. The War Minister, for strategic reasons, and his Public Works' colleague, for financial reasons, would have preferred Pristina, and the former declares that the choice of Vrania will throw the whole of Macedonia open to Austria. Prince Alexander of Bulgaria is after all going to visit Constantinople on his way to Athens, whither he is going at the instigation of Russia. The proposed appointment of the Miridite Prince Prenk Bib Doda will very probably not be made, as both England and Russia think him too young and inexperienced for so important a post.

Another trial of Nihilists began on Monday in Russia, at St. Petersburg. Chief amongst the prisoners, who number eighteen, is the Noble, Jury Bogdanovitch, who, under an assumed name, kept the cheesemonger's shop from which the mine was tunnelled under Little Garden Street. Then come three persons charged with having taken part in the Odessa railway explosion in 1879, and a number of both sexes arraigned for various revolutionary offences. A mine is stated to have been discovered at Moscow, and it is even rumoured that the coronation will be once more postponed, but meanwhile the preparations for the ceremony are being energetically pushed forward. In connection with these the Czar is said to have introduced an innovation little liked by the officers. He proposes to abolish the present colours, and to revert to the old practice of heading the troops with church banners bearing effigies of the

patron saints of the respective regiments. On Wednesday the Imperial regalia were to be transported in State from the Winter Palace in St. Petersburg to the Kremlin at Moscow. These, which include the large and small chains of the Order of St. Andrew, the orb, the sceptre, the small crown of the Empress, and the larger crown of the Czar, were conveyed on golden cushions and in State carriages to the railway station—each emblem of Royalty having a carriage and six horses to itself.

The forthcoming International Exhibition at Calcutta is beginning to excite considerable interest throughout India. All the foreign Governments have been invited to co-operate, and the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, in presiding over the Executive Committee, stated that the matter had been seriously taken up, and was now being pushed forward rapidly. "He had every reason to expect that the Exhibition would prove an unprecedented success." There is little other news. There have been some disturbances at Hyderabad, and the prospects of that State, with its ruler, a minor, and his guardians, who have succeeded the late Sir Salar Jung, at variance with each other, are not altogether promising. The agitation against the Native Magistrates' Jurisdiction Bill continues unabated, and the Zemindars in Bengal are holding meetings to protest against the Tenancy Bill.

It is a good sign that the dynamite discoveries in England have excited universal condemnation from the Press in the UNITED STATES, with the exception, of course, of the Irish-American organs. The Americans are evidently feeling that the Irish faction are exceeding all bounds, and, while violent language cannot legally be interfered with, determination is expressed that any violation of the actual law will be undoubtedly punished. The Tribune stigmatises the conspiracy as "one of the most infernal ever known." The Philadelphia Public Ledger declares that "Society must take defensive measures against this horrible warfare. . . There can be no such thing as order, law, or freedom, when skulking political assassins are judges, jury, and executioners the dynamite scoundrel is the wild beast of these days, and may have to be dealt with in that category." The dynamite faction, of course, are jubilant, and subscriptions are being sent to Mr. O'Donovan Rossa for "a little more electric light" and "the good missionary work," while the Irish World continues its advocacy of dynamite, and indirectly advises the Philadelphia Convention to declare for it. The moderate and advanced sections are still at loggerheads with regard to the proceedings at that meeting, and Mr. Parnell is denounced by the latter as being behind the times, and being afraid to attend the Convention. Of American news proper the only item of interest is the death of Mr. Peter Cooper, the well-known founder of the Cooper Institute.

Of MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS we hear from Germany that Prince Bismarck's appeal against the acquittal of Professor Mommsen for libelling him in an election speech has been unsuccessful. The ice on the Vistula has caused serious floods. In Holland the tercentenary of the birth of the jurist Hugo de Groot (Grotius) has been celebrated with great festivities at Delft.—In SWITZERLAND the village of Vallorbes (Vaud) has been devastated by a fire which consumed a hundred houses.—In Spain the Parliamentary Oath Bill, admitting Protestants and Freethinkers to the House of Deputies, has been passed by 164 votes to 42. Señor Castelar made an eloquent appeal for the suppression of the oath altogether.—Cyprus is threatened with another plague of locusts.—In South Africa Mapoch is now asking for peace, and has offered the Boers an indemnity and a tribute if he is allowed to retain his stronghold. Mr. Joubert, however, insists upon an unconditional surrender.—Hayti is again in a state of revolution, and on the 27th ult. the insurgents seized the town of Miragoane.



THE QUEEN'S complete recovery from her late accident has been much slower than was expected, and Her Majesty's ankle continues very weak, and causes much inconvenience. Sir W. Jenner is still in daily attendance, and the Queen is unable to undergo much fatigue, and has been compelled to give up all plans for this month. Thus, although Her Majesty proposes to go to Osborne at the end of this week, the journey depends entirely upon the Queen's state of health. Accordingly Her Majesty has remained perfectly quiet at Windsor Castle, receiving no visitors except the members of the Royal Family, and driving out in a pony-chair. Princess Christian visits the Queen daily, and the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh came down from town on Sunday, and spent the night at the Castle. Princess Beatrice on Saturday drove to Claremont to congratulate the Duke of Albany on his thirtieth birthday; while on Sunday she attended Divine Service in the Private Chapel, where the Hon. and Rev. F. Byng preached. To-day (Saturday) is the Princess's twenty-sixth birthday.

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The Prince and Princess of Wales have been entertaining further visitors at Sandringham. The Duke of Teck joined the party on Saturday, the Duchess and daughter having stayed with the Prince and Princess ever since the previous week; and on the same day the Earl of Northbrook and Lady Emma Baring, Sir Stafford and Lady Northcote, and Mr. Trevelyan arrived. On Sunday the Prince and Princess, with their guests, attended Divine Service at St. Mary Magdalene's, where the Rev. Teignmouth Shore preached. Next day the party broke up, and, while the visitors returned to town, the Prince went to Newmarket to be present at the races, and the Princess and daughters remained at Sandringham. The Prince and Princess will be in town next week for the season. On the 27th inst. they will open the new Galleries of the Institute of Painters in Water-Colours, being present afterwards at a concert in the large hall, to be called the "Prince's Hall." The Prince will also shortly open the new buildings of the City of London College, Moorfields.

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The Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh dined on Saturday night with Viscount and Viscountess Holmesdale. On Monday the Duke went to the House of Commons to hear the discussion on the Explosives Bill, and subsequently presided at a banquet given by the members of the Empire Club to Lord Alcester, while the Duchess went to the Vaudeville Theatre. The Duke on Wednesday night was present at the City Banquet to Lords Wolseley and Alcester, and the Duchess accompanied the King and Queen of the Netherlands and the Duke and Duchess of Albany to the performance of Berlioz's Faust, given by the Albert Hall Choral Society. If his engagements permit the Duke has promised to present the Egyptian Medals to the Royal Marines at Chatham.—The Duke of Connaught on Monday laid the foundation stone of St. Anne's Church, Bagshot, with Masonic honours, the Duchess being present. On Wednesday night he presided at the Festival Dinner of the Metropolitan Free Hospital.—The Duke of Albany on Monday went to the House of Lords to hear the debate on the Indian Criminal Procedure Bill, and afterwards accompanied the Duchess to the performance of the Carl Rosa Opera Company. The Duke and Duchess will attend Lady Folkestone's Concert at the Kingston Town Hall in aid of the funds of the Railway Guards Universal Friendly Society. Further, the Duke has become patron of the Victoria Park Industrial and Loan Art Exhibition, to be held in June, and has promised to distribute the prizes at Marlborough

College on July 24.—The Princess Louise's return to Canada is reported to have been delayed owing to certain suspicious circumstances having occurred at Rideau Hall, but it is now considered that she may come home with safety instead of waiting till May. Accordingly the Princess was expected to leave Bermuda on Tuesday in H.M. Tenedos, reaching Canada about Tuesday next.

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The King and Queen of the Netherlands are spending their visit to England in strict incognito. They remain at Walton-on-Thames, and have taken long drives in the neighbourhood, visiting the Duke and Duchess of Albany at Claremont, and inspecting Hampton Court Palace.—The Crown Princess of Germany is ill with neuralgia.—The King of the Belgians is going to Pau for change of air after his recent illness. Another crowned head, King Charles of Würtemburg, is suffering from a serious lung-affection.—Prince Louis of Bavaria and his bride, the Spanish Infanta Donna Paz, have spent a brief honeymoon in Paris, where the Spanish colony gave fites in their honour. They have now gone home to Munich, to do the honours at another Royal marriage, that of the Prince's sister Isabella with Prince Thomas of Genoa, brother to the Queen of Italy.



CARL ROSA'S OPERA COMPANY. -Mr. Carl Rosa has already by the production of Colomba on Monday night, acquitted himself of the pledge which gave special interest to his short and discreetly-worded prospectus. He has done well, not only for the public but for himself. The public have welcomed his two new operas with genuine cordiality; and he is thus enabled to add to his repertory works of unquestionable merit, none the less likely to win general works of unquestionable merit, none the less likely to win general acceptance because they come from the pens of young and promising English musicians. Frequent performances of the Esmeralda of Mr. Goring Thomas, each one, it is admitted on every side, more or less an improvement on its precursor, have only helped to justify the applause so liberally bestowed on the first night of the season. It is to be hoped that Colomba, though it is by no means so easy to comprehend at the outset as Esmeralda, which is likely to become its formidable rival in Mr. Rosa's future country (or, as we are wont to say, "provincial") tours, may prove equally fortunate. Mr. Thomas had an easier libretto to set to music than that prepared by Mr. Hueffer for Mr. Mackenzie; besides which the heroine of Victor Hugo's Notre Dame is much more familiar to English thought than the Notre Dame is much more familiar to English thought than the heroine of Prosper Merimée's Corsican romance. On the other hand, Mr. Hueffer undertook a task of far greater difficulty in drawing a libretto from Colomba, in which the essential points for absolute dramatic effect are separated from each other by more or less wide intervals of matter purely narrative. That under such conditions he should have done as well as he has actually done redounds to his credit. Carmen, for example, presented opportunities to be grasped with readiness by skilful playwrights like the French practitioners who, while altering the denoument and making other deviations from the original story—such as whitewashing the hero, a brigand of the approved type, and in a great measure the heroine, not merely a ginsy and a smugglar, but also a would be this food and making other merely a ginsy and a smugglar, but also a would be stifed and merely a ginsy and a smugglar, but also a would be this food and merely a ginsy and a smugglar, but also a would be stifed and merely a ginsy and a smugglar, but also a would be stifed and merely a ginsy and a smugglar, but also a would be stifed and merely a ginsy and a smugglar, but also a would be stifed and merely a ginsy and a smugglar, but also a would be stifed and making the same and t brigand of the approved type, and in a great measure the heroine, not merely a gipsy and a smuggler, but also a would-be thief and even assassin—presented it so effectively in a dramatic guise. They might—who knows?—have treated Colomba with the same adroitness, and thus provided the regretted Georges Bizet with another means of showing his aptitude in dealing with characteristic subjects, and bequeathing to the world another masterpiece. With regard to the libretto of Mr. Hueffer it must imperatively be added that those well acquainted with the story of Colomba, as related by Prospet Merimée, in his most picturesque and fascinating style, will be unanimous in objecting to the liberties which, for his own immediate purpose, Mr. Hueffer has taken with the original conception. The accidental death of Colomba is by no means a change to be comaccidental death of Colomba is by no means a change to be com-mended. Apart from her desire that the murder of her father by one of the Barracinis, hereditary enemies of her family, should be revenged by her brother, Orso Della Rebbia, and the means she takes to further her object, there is little but good to be said of her. "Il me faut la main qui a tiré, l'œil qui a visé, le cœur qui a pensé" briefly and emphatically embodies the idea of the Corsican vendetta; and these are the words of Colomba. With the neuro about idea briefly and emphatically embodies the idea of the Corsican wendetta; and these are the words of Colomba. With that never-absent idea, she longs for the return of her brother, Orso, who having served as lieutenant in the armies of Napoléon, returns to his native country after the decisive Battle of Waterloo. By the side of Colomba, indeed, the original Carmen would figure as little short of a demon. The idea, moreover, of turning that most exquisite portrayal of a fine-hearted English maiden—simple and truth-loving (however romantic) as she is beautiful and courageous, into a sentimental French heroine, who might gracefully have figured in a libretto by "the poet Bunn" and poor Fitzball, at whom Mr. Hueffer sneers in so uncalled-for a fashion in his prefatory address, is anything but happy. The greatest compliment ever paid to a type of English womanhood is that contributed in his delineation of Miss Lydia Nevil, by one of the most gifted and eloquent of French Lydia Nevil, by one of the most gifted and eloquent of French writers. This, of course, accounts for the dear old "Colonel Sir Thomas Nevil," who fondly loves the chase, but still more Sir Thomas Nevil," who fondly loves the chase, but still more fondly loves his charming daughter, being metamorphosed into the "Count de Nevers," appointed by the French King as "Governor of Corsica." Hereby, as in the elimination from the original dramatis personæ of Castriconi, the brigand versed in languages, whose favourite author is Horace, a small edition of whose poems he invariably carries about with him, a strong element of variety is uselessly thrown aside. The Colonel and "Monsieur le Curé," as the brigand is styled, if treated in a congenial spirit, would have greatly enlivened the march of action here and there, besides adding to its interest. These and other objections might be reasonably urged against the construction of the plot; but taking all reasonably urged against the construction of the plot; but taking all into account, it must be allowed that Mr. Hueffer has accomplished a by no means easy task with a considerable amount of success. Perhaps, indeed, with the intention of providing the composer with a larger scope for the exercise of that special manifestation of the operatic drama which, it is well known, in a greater or lesser degree operatic drama which, it is well known, in a greater or lesser degree is the ideal of both, Mr. Hueffer has made his task still more difficult, or at any rate more so than necessary; and this should be Mr. Mackenzie's apology for certain passages needlessly spun out, and others essentially dry. Upon the music supplied by this very clever gentleman—like Mr. Goring Thomas, at one time a pupil in our Royal Academy of Music (studying under Mr. Lucas, Sir Sterndale Bennett's immediate predecessor, as Principal)—it is not our intention, even were space at command, to dwell just now. That he has already, by his previous works, obtained, and deservedly so, a recognised position among composers must be allowed without a dissentient voice. His cantata, Jason, composed for and performed at a recent great country festival would suffice to establish that. Such a work as Colomba, starting—in so far as for and performed at a recent great country testival would sumce to establish that. Such a work as *Colonda*, starting- in so far as English opera has been hitherto appreciated and understood—on comparatively new grounds, cannot be dismissed without earnest consideration. We have spoken so much at length about the libretto, because Mr. Hueffer proposes and vindicates doctrines which must wait for a time before they are universally accepted. Another opportunity must therefore be taken for due consideration of the actual worth of the music, which we unreservedly own shows

WAIFS. — Mr. Richard Latter, one of the Professors of Singing at the Guildhall School of Music, has been appointed a Professor at the Royal College of Music.



THE CONVOCATION OF THE SOUTHERN PROVINCE assembled at Westminster for the first time on Wednesday, under the Presidency of the new Archbishop. In the Upper House, which was attended by fifteen Bishops, the chief matter of general interest was the discussion on "A Statement by the Committee on the Salvation Army." Unanimous disapprobation was expressed of the methods adopted by the Salvationists, the Bishops of Oxford and Hereford both declaring that the work done in their own dioceses had been most pernicious, and the Bishop of Exeter that there was sufficient evidence to justify the Church in declining to work with the Army. Only the Primate and the Bishop of Winchester were willing to admit that the Salvationists had done good in some places.

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The Summonses taken out by the Vicar of St. Matthew's, Sheffield, against Mr. Walter Wynn, the People's Warden, for riotous behaviour in the Church, and by Mr. Bindley against Mr. Wynn for an assault, were both dismissed on Friday last, amidst much excitement—the stipendiary magistrate ruling that Mr. Wynn had acted in an honest belief that illegal proceedings were going on, and had interfered as churchwarden, but with no unnecessary violence. Between Mr. Bindley and Mr. Wynn there had only, he held, been a mild struggle and no violence on either side. On Sunday, as might have been expected after this decision, the unseemly interruptions were renewed. Mr. Wynn again made his way into the chancel at the early celebration, and placing himself between the Vicar and the Rev. J. C. Green, the celebrant, as the former was about to pour wine and water into the chalice, declared that this was an illegal act, and that he was determined to stop it. High words ensued, and Mr. Wynn was about to seize the chalice when the Vicar declared that he should not perform the ceremonial, having been prevented by violence. There perform the ceremonial, having been prevented by violence. There was afterwards an angry interview in the vestry, and Mr. Ommanney has now taken out a new summons against Mr. Wynn for indecent behaviour.

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AT STORRINGTON, a quiet Sussex village, Romish aggression has stirred unwonted discord. Some Præmonstratensians expelled from France have settled there upon a piece of ground adjoining the churchyard, given them by the Duke of Norfolk, to found a Priory. Here, just before Easter, they set up a monster crucifix intended for "a Calvary." Protestant Storrington naturally objected to this, and upon remonstrance from the Rector the courteous Prior promised that it should be removed. But now the Duke appeared upon the scene, and insisted that the crucifix should remain. On Easter Monday it had disappeared, sawn down in the night by unknown hands. Efforts are now being made to discover the offenders, but the village, it is thought, will not consent to have a "Calvary" forced on it against its will.

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A CEREMONY, unprecedented in its way, took place at Rome on Sunday last, when six young girls received Confirmation, in the American Episcopal Church of St. Paul's, from the hands of Dr. Herzog, of Berne, Bishop of the Old Catholic Church of Switzerland, who had been delegated to perform the rite by the American Primate, in the absence from Italy of any Prelate of the English or American Communion. It is the first time that an Old Catholic Bishop has visited Rome in an official capacity. The service was conducted has visited Rome in an official capacity. The service was conducted in English; Dr. Herzog's sermon was in French, from the text, "Christ is the Gate of Salvation."

LINCOLN'S INN CHAPEL, closed since 1881 for restoration and enlargement, was reopened last Sunday, when a sermon was preached by the Archbishop of York, from Romans xiv. 9. The enlarged chapel has nearly 300 sittings, about 100 of which will be for the use of the public. The total cost of the various changes is about 14,000. Since the chapel was erected, 260 years ago, it has given to the Church four Archbishops and ten Bishops.

THE APPLICATION, by the Church Association, for the absolute deprivation of the Rev. A. H. Mackonochie, of St. Peter's, London Docks, was to be heard before Lord Penzance on Thursday. To inquiries as to what course he would take, Mr. Mackonochie has replied, "None, as far as I can see. There is no course to take except to leave things in the Hand which is higher than the highest."

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THE REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE IRISH CHURCH, read last week at the meeting of the General Synod, must be pronounced as fairly satisfactory. In thirteen years 2,600,000/. have been subscribed, so that the Church has thus far been enabled to live on income without trenching on its capital. It cannot, however, continue to do so if the subscribed income falls much below 200,000/., and this for the last three years has averaged little more than 150,000/. than 150,000%.

"THE NATIVE IRISH"

THE Gaelic Journal more than answers the promise of its prospectus While the Dublin Exhibition was going on a Congress was held in Kildare Street, at which the desirability of starting such a journal was canvassed. The argument that has resulted in its publication was libe the well-known one about swimming. "Von never can was canvassed. The argument that has resulted in its puoneation was like the well-known one about swimming: "You never can learn unless you get into the water." It was backed up by a fact which may readily escape a resident in most parts of Ireland—that there are still readers of Gaelic enough to make it worth while for newspapers like the *Tuam Herald* and *Tuam News* to print some of their columns in old Irish text. The most noticeable feature of the meetings was the zeal (certainly not without knowledge) of the Ulstermen. One can well understand why so many men of English high name often only by one governing removed from English high Olsermen. One can well understand why so many men of English name, often only by one generation removed from English birth, should be out-spoken patriots; but that Belfast should be more enthusiastic about the old tongue than Cork or Limerick is as great a puzzle as Professor Blackie, when past middle age, learning Gaelic for the love of it. Yet so it is. Whoever planted, whether Father Nolan or Mr. Marcus Ward in the latter gentlemen, (despite him.

for the love of it. Yet so it is. Whoever planted, whether Father Nolan or Mr. Marcus Ward, jun., the latter gentleman (despite his very Saxon name) has done a great deal of the watering.

It is easy to smile at these efforts; to talk of galvanising one in articulo mortis; to note that M. Gaidoz, with all literary Europe at his back, can only bring out the Revue Celtique occasionally. The answer is: look at Wales. If Welsh has lasted, it is not because it

escaped repression. Warner, almost the earliest pedestrian tourist, talks of "the Welsh lump," a leaden weight, hung round the necks of school children who incautiously let slip a word of Cymric. But Eisteddfods are a fact, and a very interesting one; and Welshmen are distinctly the better because their language does more than barely hold its ground.

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Of course, if the movement is to succeed in Ireland, it must be because the Irish intend that it shall. More is needed for success than a sentimental liking for Gaelic literature, and the power of speaking more or less correctly a score or so of Irish phrases. Ireland wants her men like Dr. Blackie, who will bring cultured taste and ripe scholarship to the hard task of learning a so-called uncouth tongue. She wants her female enthusiasts (what cause can do without them?), who will do for some of her yet unpublished treasures what Lady Charlotte Guest-Schreiber did for the Red Book of Hergest. Will not Miss Tynan's exquisite lines—

Most like a little child, with meek surrender Learning its lesson at the mother's knees, Come we to hear our own tongue, soft and tender, As wordless bird-songs in unnumbered trees,

rouse some educated women (and why not herself?) to that heat rouse some educated women (and wny not nerselt?) to that heat which means lasting effort undaunted by temporary failure? And then, for success, there must be the rank and file. Irish-speakers must become Irish-readers, and they must grow in numbers. The greatest fallacy of all is to talk of Gaelic speech being a hindrance in the world's race. Hungarians are just as successful in business or letters, though they are extra-weighted with both Magyar and Slav, as they would be if they could only talk the language of Fatherland. letters, though they are extra-weighted with both Magyar and Slav, as they would be if they could only talk the language of Fatherland. But this means that we Irish, as a people, must really care about the matter, and must have enough determination (that quality in which some folks say we are deficient) to give ourselves a great deal of trouble about it. I have not forgotten M. Gaidoz's story of his going to Dublin to attend O'Donovan's lectures, and finding that he himself made up the whole class. He was justly sarcastic. Little Agram, he said, has crowded rooms when a professor teaches Old Servian; but Irishmen let Germans write their grammars of Old Celtic, and leave it to Frenchmen to pick up what is to be learnt from living Irish professors.

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It is not a matter about which we can blame the Saxon. It is not a matter about which we can blame the Saxon. If we care for our old speech, the Gaelic Union gives us a chance of doing something for it. There-never was such a cheap sixpenny-worth as the Gaelic Journal; but subscribing to it is not enough, though it is something, and the 5s. 6d. a year is better than a deal of talk. We must study what it brings before us, if the "wordless bird-songs" are to become for us articulate speech. Here, in the first four numbers, is a series of articles on "The Sounds and Letters of the Irish Language," which, along with the First and Second Gaelic Book, the Grammar Rules, the Phrase-Book, all published by the Union, will enable any one, with a little perseverance, to be able to feel pleasure in a modern piece like the "keen" (caovine) for Archbishop MacHale; or in an old story like "The Youthful Exploits of Fionn." And if readers will but make themselves able to translate Mr. And if readers will but make themselves able to translate Mr. O'Neill Russell's papers on "The State of the Irish Tongue in the United States and Canada," they will see how strong and practical is the enthusiasm for the old tongue in Greater Ireland.



Those who went to see Mr. Rose's adaptation of Vice Versa at the GAIETY Theatre on Monday afternoon with gloomy forebodings as to the result of an attempt to make a play out of unpromising materials must have been agreeably surprised. Mr. Rose has shown a wise discretion in limiting his dramatic sketch to three tableaux, of which the first passes in Mr. Bultitude's house in Russell Square, and the latter two in the highly-respectable educational establishment of Dr. Grimstone, at Rodwell Regis. It is, as it were, a mere taste of the abundant humours of Mr. Anstey's immensely popular story, yet as far as it goes it faithfully reflects the original, and is really very amusing. Contrary, perhaps, to most people's expectations, the sudden transformation, under the magical influences of the "Garudâ stone," presents no practical difficulty. To ask an audience to believe that a father and son can in these prosaic days suddenly exchange their outward characteristics, even to the bald head and stiff collar of the one, and the jacket and trousers and whiskerless face of the other, and this without any change of their respective moral identities, is doubtless to approach their credulity with what Americans call "a large order;" but everybody must have observed that a spectator's imagination is able to lend itself to many odd things in the laying out of a story, provided that what follows is logically consistent. In Mr. Rose's piece the stage is darkened for an instant only, and the audience are simply asked to believe that the change has taken place in the interval. As the stiff sententiousness has now entirely disappeared in the case of Bultitude Senior, while Bultitude Junior has in like manner become wholly divested of his boyish levity, the new state of affairs proves to be not wholly beyond the range of conception, and from that point the fun of the thing is well sustained. Unluckily, the dénoument proves less manageable. In the play it is not "Roly," but little Dulcie, who breaks the spell during a temporary visit o Bultitude Senior) to the school. We are not told how the severe Dr. Grimstone is made to perceive the new position when he enters, and finds Dick not only himself again, but fully reconciled to Dulcie. Still less is it easy to understand why the puzzled school master should be reconciled to the rather tender relations which have become visibly re-established between the real boy Bultitude and the precocious little Dulcie, unless it be from an amiable determination on his part not to disappoint the sentimental cravings of the romantic spectator. But the marvel is not that there is ground to cavil, but rather that the adaptor has been able to achieve his task so well. The production of the dramatic version of Vice Versa would be noteworthy if for no other reason as by far the best amateur performance that has been no other reason as by far the best amateur performance that has been publicly given for many a day. Mr. Rose, who himself performs the part of Bultitude Senior, both in his original and his transformed nature, plays with a grave sincerity which is highly diverting. His habit of feeling for his vanished whiskers is an excellent little touch; and Mr. Rose knows how to give the control of the con habit of feeling for his vanished whiskers is an excellent little touch; and Mr. Rose knows how to give full effect to the humour of his disastrous attempts to establish his identity with Bultitude Senior by uttering middle-aged commonplaces or denouncing the abominable practice of consuming peppermint lozenges. Perhaps even better was the impersonation of the severely sententious Grimstone by Mr. C. H. Hawtrey, who is said to be a grandson of the late Head-master and Provost of Eton. Especially worthy of commendation, too, was Miss Laura Linden's performance of the Doctor's little daughter, with her amusingly early tendencies towards innocent flirtations. Whether Mr. Rose's piece would bear the test of nightly representa-Whether Mr. Rose's piece would bear the test of nightly representation as part of the regular programme of a London theatre may be doubtful, for it is necessarily slight; but it unquestionably entertained the large audience who had been attracted by this and other

items in the playbill of Mr. W. H. Griffiths's benefit.

Mr. Toole has reappeared at his elegant little theatre at Charing Cross in his original part of Mr. Spicer Romford in Mr. Burnand's adaptation entitled Artful Cards. His ludicrous distresses in the

part of the frolicsome middle-aged gentleman are as amusing as ever; part of the froncsome middle-aged gentleman are as amusing as ever; nor does the embarrassing and finally compromising trombone prove less an instrument of amusement than heretofore. The comedy, which is of the brisk-and-bustling farcical sort, is interpreted by a cast fully equal to that of the original representation; and the performance affords much diversion to Mr. Toole's patrons. Artfu Cards is reproduced for a limited number of nights only, pending the production of a new comedy, which has been written expressly for the production of a new comedy, which has been written expressly for the theatre by Mr. Arthur Law.

Mr. Grundy's new play, to be produced at the OLYMPIC Theatre this evening, with the title of *Rachel*, is stated to be based, as regards its prologue only, upon an old melodrama of the Ambigu-Comique, entitled *La Voleuse d'Infants*. In other respects it is an original piece. Miss Geneviève Ward will represent the evil-minded, but, as we are assured not essentially grigning beginned.

Mr. Pinero's new play The Rector at the Court Theatre has already been withdrawn, notwithstanding the fact that some of its faults had, as our contemporary Punch put it, been "rectorfied." On Thursday its place was taken by a revival of All for Her, in which Mr. Ichn Clayton repeats his singularly fine inversemention of faults had, as our contemporary Punch put it, been "rectorned." On Thursday its place was taken by a revival of All for Her, in which Mr. John Clayton repeats his singularly fine impersonation of Hugh Trevor. Bondage at the OPERA COMIQUE has also proved unacceptable to audiences. On Monday next Frou-Frou will be revived at this theatre, with Miss Hilda Hilton in the part of the heroine, which this lady has already been ambitious enough to undertake on more than one occasion.

The FOLIES DRAMATIQUES has rather suddenly closed its doors, not even the attraction of highly aristocratic persons among its company having apparently reconciled audiences to the inanities of the programme with which this house reopened at Easter. The theatre, which was originally called the Novelty, is announced to open again on the 5th of May, with a new and original comic opera, music by Strauss, book by Mr. H. S. Leigh.

Mr. Pennington will appear at the GAIETY on the afternoon of the 27th inst. in Mrs. Lovell's play, Ingomar.

We are compelled to reserve till next week a notice of Mr. Robert Buchanan's new comedy drama, Lady Clare, produced at the GLOBE Theatre on Wednesday evening.

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last week under the presidency of Mr. Henry Betty, and a very satisfactory report was adopted.

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A remarkably clever conjuror, Professor Hartz, appeared at the TROCADERO on Tuesday afternoon. Completely unaided by the usual conjuring paraphernalia, Professor Hartz executes his tricks with marvellous dexterity, and Fortunatus' inexhaustible purse was nothing to a hat in his hands, which produces a quantity and variety of treasures far exceeding those usually found by conjurors in such head-gear. Marked coins and scraps of paper vanish in most perplexing style, and reappear in given places without any visible aid from the conjurer, whose sleight of hand with a pack of cards is no less ingenious. Altogether, his deceptions show such deftnessand originality as entitle the Professor to a high place among his brethren of the magic art. of the magic art.



THE TURF.—The Craven Meeting at Newmarket which has been held this week, and which many old-fashioned racegoers persist in regarding as the legitimate opening of the legitimate racing season, produced but poor sport, but was marked by the first attendance, we believe, of the Prince of Wales at this early "gathering of the clans" at headquarters. The plethora of racing the week before last doubtless affected the number of starters which came to the post for the various events, and there was not really a large field during the meeting. The Double Trial Plate for Twothe week before last doubtless affected the number of starters which came to the post for the various events, and there was not really a large field during the meeting. The Double Trial Plate for Two-year-olds, on the first day, was won by Mr. L. de Rothschild's Eira, who ran third last week to Limosa and Bluecoat, but she was not as much fancied as The Wrekin, who made no show in the race. Glen Albyn was made first favourite in a field of nine for the Visitors' Plate (Handicap), and pulled his backers through gallantly, with the top weight on his back. He gave Eliacin, who ran second, 15 lbs., and thus showed himself one of the best T. Y. C. horses at present on the Turf. The Biennial, whose history is so fruitful in surprises, kept up its character to some extent, as in a field of six neither of the two first favourites, Export and Grandmaster, won. The Prince, who was allowed to start at 7 to 2, owing to his backward condition, just managed to beat Lord Falmouth's Grandmaster, but his performance raised him but slightly in the Two Thousand and Derby markets. Fetterless ran a rogue in the Bushes Handicap, won by Natica. The Brabraham Stakes (Handicap) showed the pickers of favourites in bad form, as they selected Tertius, Petronel, Tyndrum, and The Duke to carry most money. Not one of them got a place in a field of ten, and the winner turned up in Tonans, the outsider of the whole party. Dilletto, the Spencer Cup winner, ran second, after starting at 9 to 1. He seems to have more than an outside chance for the City and Suburban. For this race, which is run next week, Shotover still rules first favourite at 4 to 1—but how can she give Scobell a year, and Sachem. If at all more than an outside chance for the City and Suburban. For this race, which is run next week, Shotover still rules first favourite at 4 to 1—but how can she give Scobell a year, and Sachem, if at all in form, the weight required? Passaic, another American, seems to show signs of "coming," and not a few good judges fancy he will score a second victory in this popular race.—Archerites have had a bad time at Newmarket, but Fordham seems in grand form.—The objection to Ridotto, who came in first for the big Hurdle Race at Croydon last week, has been overruled, and Chichester has to be content with second honours. content with second honours.

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FOOTBALL.—The Scottish Association Cup has at last been decided, the Dumbarton and Vale of Leven Clubs having met for the second time to play the final game. The venue was at Hampden Park, Glasgow, and, after a very close contest, Dumbarton won by two goals to one. This is the third year Dumbarton has played in the final tie, and their perseverance has at last met its reward. Vale of Leven won the Cup in 1877 and two following years.—The Birmingham Association Cup has fallen to Aston Villa, which has beaten the Wednesbury Old Athletic by three goals to two.

COACHING.—The "Butterfly" coaching season has already

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COACHING.—The "Butterfly" coaching season has already commenced, and though its head-quarters, the White Horse Cellar, Piccadilly, seems likely shortly to disappear, it bids fair to be a busy one. The Old Times runs daily to Virginia Water, and the Perseverance is also on the road to Boxhill and Dorking. The New Times, under the auspices of Mr. Shoolbred, will run to Guildford, and the Wonder to St. Alban's. Shortly, also, the Windsor, High Wycombe, and Westerham roads will be taken; and later on the Portsmouth and Brighton routes will be occupied. The aristocratic coach of the season will be that to Orleans House and Park.

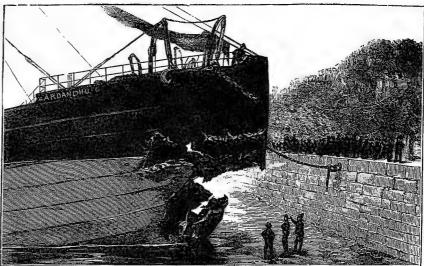
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LACROSSE. — A very stubborn match between Manchester and District against Liverpool and District has been played at Rock Ferry, Cottonopolis eventually winning by six goals to three.

RACQUETS. — The competition between the Eight Public Schools, which had entered for the Schools Challenge Cup, was Schools, which had entered for the Schools Challenge Cup, was brought to a conclusion on Wednesday afternoon at Prince's, when Eton, the holders, and Harrow played the final tie. It was well contested, and the cheering from the densely packed gallery of rival blues was most vociferous as their respective champions made a good hit. Victory at last rested with Harrow. who won the



CRATHIE CHURCH, BALMORAL, WHERE THE LATE JOHN BROWN WAS BURIED



THE COLLISION BETWEEN THE GLASGOW S.S. "ARDANDHU" AND THE GERMAN S.S. "KRON PRINZ"—THE BOWS OF THE "ARDANDHU" AFTER THE COLLISION

THE FUNERAL OF MR. JOHN BROWN

CRATHIE CHURCH is well known to tourists, as many of them resort thither on Sundays when the Queen is in residence at Balmoral, in hopes of catching a glimpse of Her Majesty. The remains of Mr. John Brown were buried at Crathie Churchyard on the 6th inst. The body had lain since the previous evening in one of the rooms at Balnachoille, a pleasantly situated two-storey edifice, built by Her Majesty as a retreat wherein her faithful servant might pass the evening of his days; but its owner never occupied it till brought to it a corpse.

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The funeral took place at noon, when, the company being assembled in front of the house, the coffin was brought out and set on trestles at the door, where the service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Campbell, of Crathie. Then the mournful procession took its way to the churchyard, where, at the edge of the grave, Mr. Campbell conducted another very impressive service. The coffin was then lowered and covered with a heavy slab, after which the earth was filled in.

A STEAMER'S BOWS AFTER COLLISION

THIS engraving is from a sketch made by Mr. John Dixon, C.E., at Lisbon, on the 18th ult., on the arrival of the Ardandhu there. She was a Glasgow steamer, homeward bound from Malaga; and, when some forty miles to the south of the Tagus, she came into collision with the Kron Prinz, striking her on her broadside, and sending her to the bottom within a few minutes. Fortunately, no lives were lost. The collision bulkhead of the Ardandhu remained intact, owing to the excellent workmanship and quality of the materials of which she was constructed.



JEREMIAH O'DONOVAN ROSSA Leader of the Dynamite Irish Faction in the United States

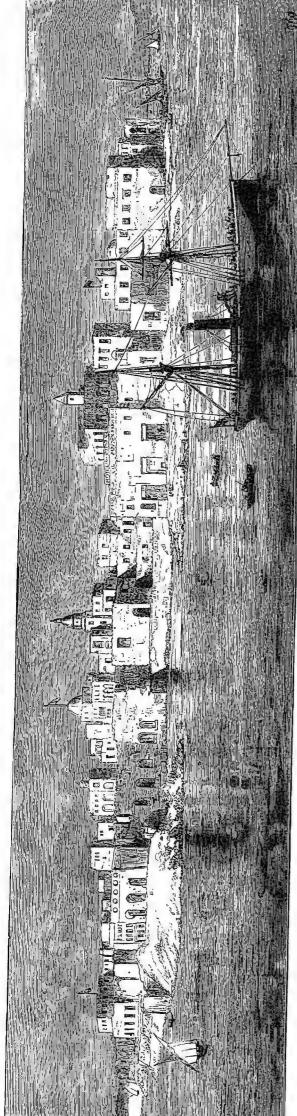
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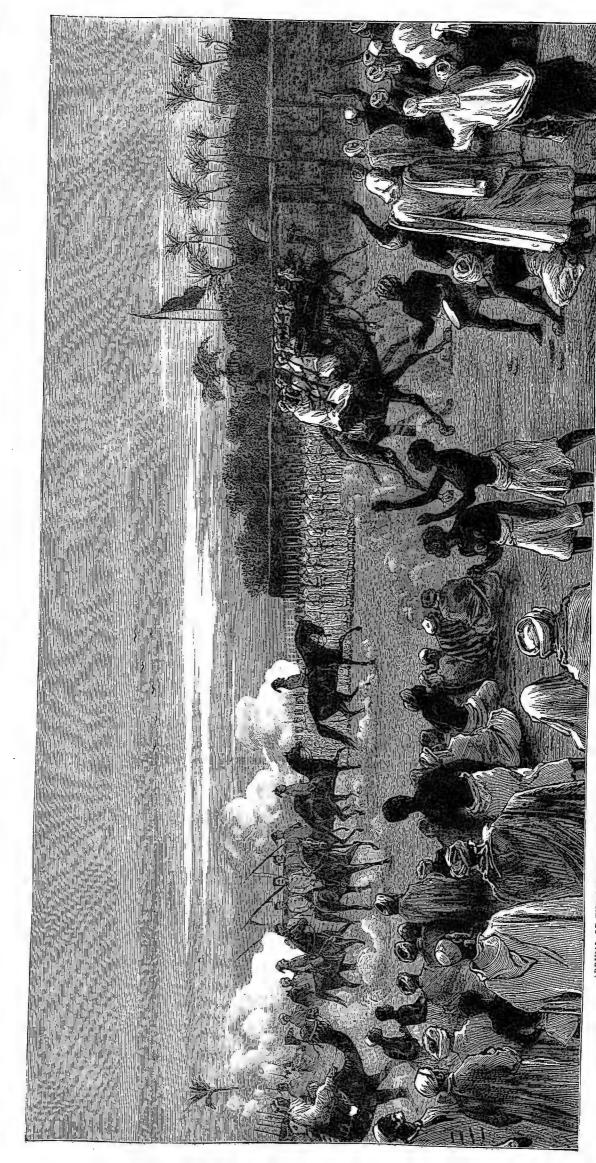
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ORIGINALLY he was simply Jeremiah O'Donovan, but as O'Donovans abounded in that region (Kerry) he took the additional and distinctive name of Rossa, from his birthplace, Rosscarbey. He began life as a poor, friendless lad, but, possessing industry and business aptitude, he was, by the time he was eight-and-twenty (some quarter of a century ago), a prosperous shopkeeper in Skibbereen, selling anything that his neighbours needed in the way of food and clothing. He was converted to Fenianism as far back as 1853, and his qualities were speedily appreciated by the shrewd James Stephens, who appointed him the District Centre. Rossa started a literary association called the Phœnix Club, under cover of which the business of the conspiracy was skilfully carried on. About 1858 he and his associates contrived to attract the attention of the Government. They were tried and convicted, but were released in 1859, on condition of coming up for judgment when called upon. Thenceforward Rossa became a confidential agent of Stephens, went to and fro between England and America, and distinguished himself by his zeal and address. When the revolt of 1867 was in preparation, the Government, aware of what was going on, seized most of the Fenian leaders. Stephens escaped; Rossa was condemned to penal servitude for life. Since then, he has been, it is asserted, an altered man. He lost his geniality and lightheartedness; but he retained his intelligence, firmness, and energy. He had also the reputation of being honest and trustworthy; and he has, therefore, become a leader of the most thoroughgoing and ferocious of the American Fenians. We borrow the above particulars from an interesting biography which recently appeared in the St. James's Gazette.



THE "SALVATION ARMY" IN INDIA - SOME OF THE MEMBERS RECENTLY ARRESTED IN BOMBAY





SOUAKIN, ON THE RED SEA, THE LANDING-PLACE OF THE SOUDAN EXPEDITION

ARRIVAL OF THE SOUDAN FIELD FORCE AT BERBER, ON THE NILE-HICKS PASHA, CHIEF OF THE FORCE, AND HIS STAFF ON THE WAY TO THE COVERNMENT HOUSE

THE REBELLION IN THE SOUDAN FROM SKETCHES BY A BRITISH OFFICER OF THE ENPEDITIONARY FORCE

match by four games to two. Harrow and Eton seem to farm the Cup between them, Harrow having a long lead; and we believe that Rugby is the only school which has ever held it besides the two schools mentioned.

AQUATICS.—The Chinnery Regatta seems to hang fire, and if it does not come off this year, professional oarsmen have themselves to thank for the withdrawal of a liberal patronage which they do not deserve.—The match between Audsley and Brightwell over the Thames Championship Course, for 50% a side, has resulted in the comparatively easy victory of Brightwell, who held his man all the year and allowed him ton seconds at the finish. the way, and allowed him ten seconds at the finish.



PARLIAMENT cleared itself on Monday of the charge of being the slowest moving piece of legislative machinery the world con-PARLIAMENT cleared itself on Monday of the charge of being the slowest moving piece of legislative machinery the world contains. In little more than an hour it passed through all its stages in the House of Commons a Bill of great stringency and wide public importance. At a quarter to six Sir William Harcourt rose to move for leave to introduce the Explosives Bill, and on the stroke of seven the Bill had passed its ultimate stage, and was on its way to the House of Lords. The rapidity with which it passed through the House was equalled only by the short period of its incubation. The authorities at the Home Office have long felt the insufficiency of the law dealing with the possession of explosives. But legislation is so difficult a process in these days that it was thought better to struggle on than to deal with the matter in Parliament. Then came the thunder-clap of the explosivos manufactory in Birmingham, and thereafter the way was clear. The Conservatives were, if possible, more anxious than the Liberals to have the matter dealt with by legislation. As for the Irish Irreconcileables, they were between a cleft stick. Whatever might be their secret desires and their constitutional propensities in the face of recent legislation they dare not obstruct it without running the risk of being openly identified with the dynamitists. From this they shrank, and sat silent, whilst the Bill rapidly passed through its various stages.

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The only attempt at criticism came from the benches below the gangway on the Ministerial side. Sir R. Cross had earlier attempted to offer a few Chairman-of-Quarter-Sessions observations upon the 4th Clause, but was met with such a burst of impatience from gentlemen on his own side that he sat down amazed and thereafter dumb. Mr. Stansfeld pointed out an ingenious objection to the 4th Clause, from which it appeared that a poacher having in his possession a pound of gunpowder, for the lawful use of which he could not account, would be liable under the act. But, as Sir William Harcourt pointed out, so would a man who carried a basket of sawdust, that being one of the ingredients used in connection with the manufacture of explosives. The argument thus reduced to absurdity, nothing more was heard of it, and the Bill reduced to absurdity, nothing more was heard of it, and the Bill

passed without amendment.

In the House of Lords some little difficulty arose. In the House of Lords some little difficulty arose. In the first place their lordships were treating themselves to the unwonted luxury of a real debate on affairs in India, and were not inclined to forego any measure of enjoyment. Beyond this, by an oversight doubtless due to the absence of Earl Granville, no notice to suspend the Standing Orders had been given, and strictly speaking there was an insuperable difficulty in the way of moving forward. The length of the debate on the Government of India prevented the possibility of a messenger going to Windsor to accomplish the formalities in connection with the Royal assent. But the other, and what in the House of Commons would have been the more serious obstacle, was somehow or other overcome. The Rules serious obstacle, was somehow or other overcome. The Rules which guide the Procedure of the House of Lords are a mystery to every one but Lord Redesdale, and no one dare ask him for an explanation. Somehow or other the Standing Orders were suspended without notice, and the Bill was carried through all its suspended without notice, and the Bill was carried through all its stages, but not without one angry protest from Lord Salisbury, who complained of the "manœuvre" by which Parliament had been circumvented. This attitude of the Leader of the Opposition in the Lords, contrasting sharply with the cordial acquiescence with which the Bill was received in the other House, was not lost in its curious bearing upon the question of the relations of the two Leaders which the lively pen and tongue of Lord Randolph Churchill have raised.

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The Explosives Bill thus got out of the way, the House was at liberty to devote itself to the ordinary business which it had threatened to interrupt. The Budget Bill stood as the first Order, and the Conservative leaders were burning to resume the debate. On the previous Thursday the Chancellor of the Exchequer had brought in a Budget which has proved highly popular. This is a notable thing of itself, at a period when a long series of popular Budgets appeared to be intermitted. But the occasion had been made remarkable by other circumstances. The long-gathering cloud of uneasiness and distrust of Liberal financial policy was about to burst. The people could not understand how a Ministry specially pledged to economy should have increasing estimates. Mr. Peter Rylands had undertaken to move a resolution from the Ministerial side, and the Conservative Opposition had hastened to his support. As the Irish members would, of course, join in the attack, the Government majority must be very seriously reduced, if it were not actually changed to a minority. In these circumstances attack, the Government majority must be very seriously reduced, if it were not actually changed to a minority. In these circumstances Mr. Childers executed an exceedingly bold and skilful flank movement. Without any direct reference to what was in store the following night, and with a pretty assumption of innocent desire solely to illustrate the Budget, he succeeded in instituting a comparison between the Liberal and Conservative finance, according to which the latter grievously suffered. This would put the Conservative finance. parison between the Liberal and Conservative finance, according to which the latter grievously suffered. This would put the Conservatives in a somewhat awkward position, should they appear on the following night as champions of economy. But Mr. Childers did not stop there. Taking the expenditure of ten years ago, and comparing it with the actual expenditure of last year, he showed that the increase was due chiefly to charges on account of the Education Vote, and to repayments on account of the National Debt. Even with these added, the increased expenditure fell far below the percentage of increase of population and of the increase of taxable value.

This manœuvre took all the wind out of the sails of the craft com-Opposition. The victory was complete when, on the following night, Mr. Gladstone took the becalmed bark in tow, and cheerfully steamed off with it as if it were his own property. In other words, he adopted Mr. Rylands' resolution as soon as it was moved, thus pledging the Government to feeth effects of several to the contract of the pledging the Government to fresh efforts of economy, and at the same time, as he was careful to point out, pledging the House of Commons to assist them to that end, which, as he showed, had not been its recent habit. The Conservatives had naturally been anxious been its recent habit. The Conservatives had naturally been anxious for opportunity to remove, or at least to reduce, the impression created by this quite unwonted brilliancy of Parliamentary tactics on the part of a Liberal Administration. But, when the time came, it was not very successfully used. The ill-fortune which, as Sir Stafford Northcote said, pursued Conservative finance appeared to cling to them when opportunity arrived for putting the matter in its true light. Mr. Childers had enjoyed the best opportunity of the year for making his statement. Everybody reads the Budget Speech,

or at least hears it discussed, and Mr. Childers had through that channel disseminated his attractive statement. When, on Monday, Mr. W. H. Smith rose to state the case on the other side, there were scarcely a score of Members present, and in such depressing circumstances, and with the knowledge that the condition of the House of Commons during debate on any particular subject very fairly represents the measure of interest felt outside, Lord George Hamilton and Sir Stafford Northcote brought up the reserves of argument and altercation. The principal end of the business was that the Budget Resolutions were agreed to, and the Budget itself practically carried

without a dissentient voice.
On Tuesday the House of Commons indulged in a Debating On I uesday the House of Commons included in a Debauing Society discussion on an impossible scheme for the relief of distress in Ireland, propounded by Mr. O'Connor Power. On Wednesday Ireland again claimed the attention of the House, Mr. Barry submitting an equally impossible Bill dealing with County Government. On a division, this was rejected by 231 votes against £8. against 58.



THE PRIVY COUNCIL have made a new Order with respect to infection among stock. By this order all sales of animals within an infected area or district require a license, but private and farm an infected area or district require a license, but private and farm sales may be held without a license beyond infected areas. The Privy Council reserve to themselves the power to allow by direct license a sale even in an infected district. It is not easy to say whether the new Order is warranted by the improvement in respect to infected areas, the number of which certainly has materially diminished of late. Our own opinion is that feeling the inconveniences of absolute restriction, the Privy Council have rather jumped at a little improvement to adopt an easier policy. We only hope that an increase of infection will not be the result. only hope that an increase of infection will not be the result. confess to considerable fear on the subject.

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY. — The "Royal" Show is to take place at York this year, and active preparations are already being made. At a meeting of the local committee last week it was -The "Royal" Show is to decided to lay a single sleeper road from the west side of the show-yard to Dringhouses. The water arrangements, which at the "Royal" are always most elaborate, have been confided to a special sub-committee. The large sum of 5,000% has already been raised to defray what are called "local" expenses; but some 500% is stated to be required. The warks on Knavesmire are progressing at to defray what are caused "local" expenses; but some 500% is stated to be required. The works on Knavesmire are progressing at a rapid rate, a large number of labourers being constantly employed thereon. It is a very good sign that, since the Royal Agricultural Society determined to meet at York, there has been a great influx of Yorkshiremen into the Society itself. As many as a hundred have been remined desires the heritage of the year. have been nominated since the beginning of the year.

APPROACHING SALES.—Three important sales of Shorthorn herds are fixed to take place next month. The first will be on the 4th of May at East Dongland, Colchester, when Mr. Green's well-4th of May at East Dongland, Colchester, when Mr. Green's well-known herd, principally of cows and heifers, will be offered by auction. On the 8th, at Westminster Lodge, near St. Alban's, about thirty pure-bred dairy Shorthorns, the property of Mr. J. N. Edwards, will be sold; and on the 10th, at Rush Court, Wallingford, Mr. Dodd's entire herd will be disposed of. This herd was founded in 1864, and consists of about fifty head, principally of the famous Darlington and Seraphina tribes.

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THE AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT.—It is rumoured that in the proposed rearrangement of the Government Departments it is contemplated to appoint a second Vice President of the Council, who will represent the Department of Agriculture in the House of Commons. The Government have already sanctioned, at least in principle, the concentration of all the statistical work of the Comment Department of the Government Departments in the Commercial Department of the Board of Trade. The details of arrangements have not yet been completed, but substantially the whole of the commercial and financial statistics of the country will be placed under the Board of Trade. It is expected that the effect of the new arrangement will be to supply the public with more complete and earlier information than they yet have enjoyed.

THE BIRMINGHAM SHORTHORN SHOW has been as successful THE BIRMINGHAM SHORTHORN SHOW has been as successful as the unhappy prevalence of disease allowed one to expect. Mr. Adkins of Melcote sent his entire herd, and Mr. Pilgrim's cattle were also at the Show. Other exhibitors were the Prince of Wales, Lord Egerton of Tatton, Earl Spencer, Lord Moreton, Lord Braybooke, Colonel Kingscote, Sir H. Alsopp, Mr. Walter, Mr. Sheldon, and Mr. Foljambe. The class for cows and heifers over three years old was well filled, and the animals were of superior quality. The class for cows and heifers between two and three years old was less satisfactory. Many of the bulls were year fine quality. The class for cows and heifers between two and their quality. The class for cows and heifers between two and their quality. The class for cows and heifers between two and their pears old was less satisfactory. Many of the bulls were very fine animals, but we rather regret that first prize fell to "Prig," which looked the biggest animal in the Show, and was of the most portentous fatness. The sale of animals was not brisk, but finally a good hands.

SIR JAMES CAIRD.—At the conclusion of a letter of more political bias than usual with our cautious friend, Sir James Caird remarks—others have done so before him—that farmers who keep remarks—others have done so before him—that farmers who keep cattle have a better outlook than farmers who grow corn. "Meat has never in our time been higher in price. The number of live stock in a fully cultivated country cannot much increase, and the production of meat in this country is, indeed, 4 per cent. less than it was ten years ago, while the home demand for meat has increased more than 10 per cent. by the increase of the population alone. In those parts of the world from which we are likely to receive supplies of meat, population increases quite as fast as cattle and sheep.

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LAMBING IN THE NORTH is now over for the most part, except beyond the Grampians. Notwithstanding severe frosts and biting winds, there is a fair show of lambs as regards numbers. The ewes, however, are now reported to have deteriorated considerably, and the continued cold tells upon the young lambs. In the upland walks the continued cold tells upon the young lambs. In the upland walks Cheviot and black-faced ewes are very thin in condition; and, though much has been done in the way of hand-feeding, there have been many deaths. Both sheep and lambs have been fetching very high prices; though ewes in poor condition, and lambs not very strong, do not give much promise of a good wool clip. The prevalence of foot-and-mouth disease among Scottish sheep is extremely serious, and flock-masters are very harassed in consequence.

MISCELLANEOUS.—We hear from Ireland of a greatly diminished wheat acreage, and our correspondent believes that a large proportion of land lost to the winter cereal has been sown with the black Tartarean oat. - Professor Thorold Rogers writes to say that a hundred-ton silo in concrete ought not to cost more than 50%, and hundred-ton silo in concrete ought not to cost more than 501, and could easily be constructed at such a price.—Addressing the Farmers' Club last week, Mr. Stratton advised a "hardy" treatment for cattle, accustoming them by degrees to spending all but the severest weeks of winter out of doors.—On the last day of March the wheatear was seen on the wing in two different districts of Yorkshire, and also at Nottingham.—The first swallow of the year—it was, in point of fact, a martin—has been seen at Bedale on April 3.—A correspondent says he saw a saw a swallow at Leamington on March 30. Probably this, like the Bedale bird, was a martin.



JUSTICE FRY has been appointed to the vacant Lord Justiceship of Appeal, and was sworn in on Tuesday last in the Chancellor's Room in the House of Lords. The new Lord Justice was born in 1827, called to the Bar in 1854, appointed Q.C. in 1869, and Judge of the Chancery Division of the High Court in 1877. The Judgeship vacated by his promotion to the Court of Appeal has it is said been offered to and declined by Mr. Macnaughten, Q.C.

On Monday last in the Queen's Bench Division application was made by Sir H. Giffard on the part of the Duc de Vallombrosa for a rule to show cause why a criminal information for libel should not be filed against Mr. Labouchere, M.P., the proprietor and editor of *Truth*. The Duke it seems is a leader of society at editor of Truth. The Duke it seems is a leader of society at Cannes, and has been mightily indignant with Lord Wolverton for introducing certain political personages to Mr. Gladstone, and Truth in commenting on this presumed to say that the Duke's father was a contractor under the First Empire, who was nearly hanged for supplying as food to the army the flesh of soldiers who had been killed in battle, but who escaped after the fall of the First had been killed in battle, but who escaped after the fall of the First Napoleon, went to Italy, and bought a title there, and became an ardent Legitimist. The Duke on the other hand has made an ardent Legitimist. The Duke on the other hand has made an affidavit that he is eighth Marquis and tenth Count, and is descended from an old Sardinian family, who can trace their pedigree to the year 1300. Moreover, his father never held an army contract. The rule was granted, enough having been said in the opinion of the Judges to make it desirable that the question should be discussed.

THE LONG-PENDING SUIT OF BRADLAUGH v. CLARKE has ended at length in a triumph for Mr. Bradlaugh. The action was originally brought against the Member for Northampton by Clarke, a common informer, to recover the penalty of 500%. for sitting and voting in the House of Commons without taking the Oath; and it was decided by the Court of Appeal that such an action was maintainable. This judgment the Lords—with one dissentient, Lord Blackburn—have now over-ruled, on the ground that the Act of '66, by omitting the words in a former statute, that "the penalty should by the him of them who should sue for the same "teles it satisfacts." go to him or them who should sue for the same," takes it out of the power of any one to sue for it, except the Crown, to whom all penalties imposed by statute, unless there be provision to the contrary, go by prerogative. The judgment, therefore, of the Court of Appeal has been reversed, Mr. Clarke's action dismissed with costs, and the respondent ordered to pay the costs of the appeal.

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THE CONVICTION IN THE COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH (to which the case had been removed by certiorari from the Central Criminal Court) of Mr. Taylor alias Gilbert, a money-lender, and and his solicitor, Mr. Boyns, for conspiracy to defraud Miss Charlotte Blackman, an actress, has raised a question of some importance as to the functions of a Public Prosecutor. The facts themselves were simple enough. Miss Blackman, who was entitled to a sum of 150%, payable in instalments, under a deed of settlement, had applied to Mr. Taylor for an advance of 151%, to enable her to take an engagement offered her at Liverpool, and had rashly signed an agreement to the effect that if the first instalment was not paid when due the whole amount should become due at once. Of course when due the whole amount should become due at once. Of course the first instalment was not paid, and a writ was issued, after three days' grace, for the preposterous sum of 41% 15s., an amount which the confederates themselves were forced to reduce by 10% when filing the particulars of their claim. Fortunately for Miss Blackman, whose Liverpool solicitor seems to have deserted her, she was recommended to Mr. Lewis, of Ely Place, who refused to pay a penny more than 15% 10s. This was accepted without any notice that an action to recover 31% 15s. was then pending, and nothing was said until, in May, judgment was given for this sum with costs. This proved too much for Mr. Lewis's patience; and, after vainly endeavouring to get the Public Prosecutor to take up the case, he carried it through at his own expense, with what effect has now been seen. But if wrongs like these are not a matter for a Public Prosecutor, for what was such an office instituted, with "a salary equal to that of an Under-Secretary of State?" The mildest comment must be that of the Chief Justice, that "if taking up such cases is not within Sir John Maule's functions, the sooner it is within his functions the better." than 15% 10s. This was accepted without any notice that an

It was impossible to deal very hardly with Percy Fisher, the boy belonging to the training ship, St. Vincent, who stole the other day a nine-ton yacht from Haslar Creek, with the intention of taking a cruise to France. Another boy had promised to come with him; but at the appointed hour he was not there, and the bold Percy but at the appointed hour he was not there, and the bold Percy sailed away alone. Off Selsea Bill he got into difficulties, but was set right by some fishermen. The fishers, however, told the Coastguard, and the Coastguard manned a galley and gave chase, firing several shots across his bows. Absence of wind was more effective than the shots, and Fisher was fain to strike his flag and let himself be taken to Littlehampton. It was not thought that he really meant to steal the yacht, and so the magistrate handed him over to the captain. It would be well, however, for him to remember that exploits like these do not well bear repetition. exploits like these do not well bear repetition.

A TRUE ARABIAN NIGHT'S ENTERTAINMENT has been given in New York by the well-known millionaire, Mr. W. K. Vanderbilt, whose recent fancy-ball, most enthusiastically depicted by the New York Herald, was one of the most gorgeous festivities in the States. Mr. Vanderbilt's wonderful house, which has been so minutely described of late, formed a fitting background for the picture of quaint and varied costumes. Rare flowers were everywhere, some 2,000l. having been spent on the floral decorations alone, the doors were mere frames of roses and lilies, the centre hall was full of huge Japanese palms, while the walls of the supper-room were entirely papered with ferns and orchids. Here, too, a huge palm reached to the ceiling in the centre, and a vine twined round the stem, while fountains kept the air cool. The costumes were in keeping with the decorations, Mrs. Vanderbilt being gorgeous as a Venetian Princess, in shaded yellow brocade and blue satin train, covered with gold embroidery; while Mr. Vanderbilt represented the Duc de Guise. Among the most curious costumes were Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt as the Electric Light, in white satin, trimmed with diamonds, and her sister as a Peacock, having a train entirely of peacock feathers, and the head on the front of the dress, while two companion costumes faithfully reproduced a wasp and a hornet, the curious head-dresses having diamond antenge. A Phenry was a marcompanion costumes faithfully reproduced a wasp and a horner, the curious head-dresses having diamond antennæ. A Phoenix was a marvellous combination of tinsel flames and tropical feathers, and a Comet was remarkably well carried out in black and gold. There was a Witch in black and crimson, adorned with snakes and lizards, an owl on her head, and a stuffed black cat encircling her neck; and, indeed, "devilish" costumes were rather predominant, one young lady, as Madame le Diable, having her dress embroidered with black velvet demons, and fringed with the heads and home of similar imps, while the same creatures reappeared on the violates of with black velvet demons, and tringed with the heads and norms of similar imps, while the same creatures reappeared on the toilette of a Vivandière du Diable, in company with dragons and crabs. The White Cat was rather a cruel dress, the skirt being composed of white cats' tails on a dark background, the bodice of rows of white cats' heads, and the headdress being the skin of a cat, with the tail banding down. hanging down.





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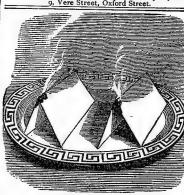
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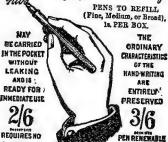
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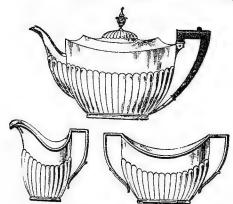
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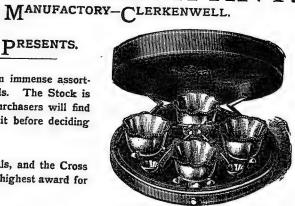
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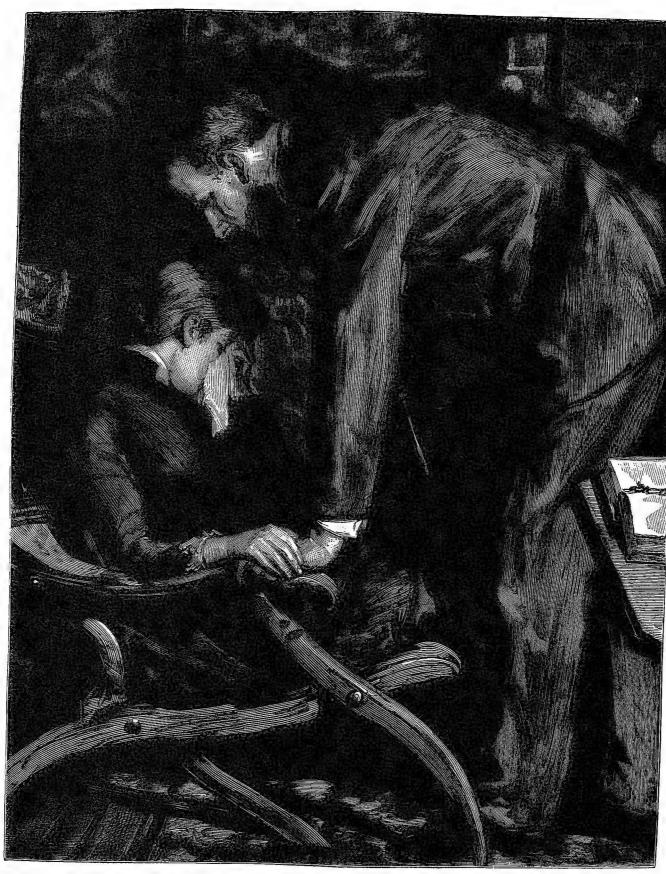
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She could not command herself to speak at the moment, but she laid her hand silently on the back of his, with a confiding gesture.

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AUTHOR OF "AUNT MARGARET'S TROUBLE," "A CHARMING FELLOW," "AMONG ALIENS," &C., &C.

"We twain have met like ships upon the sea."

CHAPTER XXIX

"Hellas!" thundered Colonel Smith-Müller. "Hellas is my ideal, my ideal! And you English, you whose Byron died for Greece, you who preach liberty and practise tyranny, what do you for Hellas?"

"Well," answered Chester, seeing that the Colonel paused for a reply, "I don't know that it was our business to do anything particular for Hellas. But if it was our business, I beg to observe that we've done it. Some people think we have a little overdone it. Did you ever happen to hear of the Ionian Islands, Colonel Smith-Müller?"

"Not your business!" echoed the Colonel, passing over the "Not your business!" echoed the Colonel, passing over the Ionian Islands. "Ah, there it is, my dear, my generous young friend. I regret to say it:—I admire, I honour so many individuals of your nation; but the policy of England in Europe is detestable. You may not know,—you do not know,—but as a man of honour I am bound to tell you that in diplomatic circles, in social circles, in military circles,—bref, in all circles, I hear the most terrible things said of England."

Chester knocked off the ash of his cigar before replying, "Well, if you don't mind, I'm sure I don't."

"Ha, ha, ha!" laughed the Colonel with a cavernous unsmiling mouth and very watchful twinkling eyes. "There, my beloved Masi, you have a true specimen of the English bouledogue. He 'doesn't mind;' ha, ha! But I mind. It pains me. It excites me. It occasionally infuriates me."

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"Why on earth should it?"

"Because I am of English descent, of English blood,—nay, I consider myself in some respects as an Englishman."

"Oh, come, I say," exclaimed Chester, who seemed to think this far the most damaging attack on his country that had been

this far the most unmaging attack of made yet.

"Yes; my heart burns with generous fire,—will you pass the rhum, mon cher Masi!—with intolerable mortification, when I think that Russia is going to sweep you all out of India, every man of you, bag and baggage! Your Downing Street is a Fool, my dear. And your India Boards are Blockheads!"

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"Blunders! They are imbeciles. And your Corps Diplo-

matique. Alles! Those poor gentlemen excite a smile of pity. They know nothing that goes on. Nothing. Do you know what is wanted for your Fool of a Downing Street, my dear, valued young friend? And for your Blockheads of Boards?" The Colonel stretched himself across the ricketty table in the Editor's Colonel stretched number across the ricketry table in the Editor's room at the Tribune office, around which he and Chester and Masi were seated, and folding his arms on it, hissed out in a melodramatic whisper, "A well-organised secret service. Well-organised, remember. Manned by officers and gentlemen; men of the world,

remember. Manned by officers and gentlemen; men of the world, good linguists,—men who are ready to go through fire and water to carry out orders."

"Spies, eh?" said Chester coolly.

The Colonel started to his feet with a sudden bound which nearly overset the ricketty table. "Great Heaven!" he exclaimed, raising his hands above his head. "Are not these English incredible? Incredible! I speak of a disciplined, organised, highly-educated body of officers and gentlemen,—old soldiers,—men who have fought and bled—Grand Dieu!—and all he can see in it is the vulgar notion of a—pah! The word chokes me!" Here the Colonel spat with much elaboration. "A fellow like your Bow Streets!"

"Oh dear no! Not at all like our Bow Streets, if you mean that our police. Our police are a very respectable body by that our police.

The Colonel drew back a little, and folded his arms, regarding Chester with a majestic scowl. But finding that his frown was supported with stoical indifference, his brow gradually cleared, and he broke into a pensive smile. "Hah!" he excluded, filling broke into a pensive smile. he broke into a pensive smile. "Han!" he exclaimed, ming himself another glass of *rhum*, "they are a singular people, these English. But I love them. I can't help it. It may be a weakness remaining from my childish days when I had an English

weakness remaining from my childish days when I had an English bonne. It may be an inheritance of race—"

"Oh, no, it isn't that!" interrupted Chester. He seemed able to endure with philosophy any of the Colonel's utterances, save those in which he hinted that England might have the honour of claiming some share in him.

"What is it, then?" rejoined the Colonel. "There are mysteries in our construction. Deep mysteries, yet unsolved. I am somewhat of a mystic myself, by nature."

"Basta! Let us keep to the point," said Masi.—"You don't think then, Mr. Chester, that you would be willing to appear in the purchase of these rifles?"

"I am quite sure of it. I couldn't do it."

"It's a promising thing," observed Masi, wistfully.

"Promising!" shouted the Colonel. "It's sure! A certain success! And a percentage on every sale,—a percentage that would run to thousands—not hundreds—of francs. I don't know, but it seems to me that two or three hundred pounds sterling are worth just taking your hand out of your pocket to pick up! worth just taking your hand out of your pocket to pick up!
Nothing more is required than that:—the trouble of stretching out
your hand—Donnerwetter!"

"I'm sorry I can't oblige you, Captain Masi," said Chester, without answering the Colonel. "But I assure you it is out of the question. It would be contrary to all my ideas."

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Masi gloomily contemplated the end of his cigar which he held in one hand, while he passed the fingers of the other through his short curly hair. As he did so, a grey streak became visible near each temple. Chester felt an indefinable pity for him; although he little knew how much cause there was for pity. It was distasteful to him to see a man like Masi under the influence of such a fellow as Colonel Smith-Miller. Chester could not understand it. Masi was neither stupid nor ignorant. And to the Englishman it seemed that one must be both to believe in the Servian Colonel for ten minutes. He did not know that Masi expected grapps from thorns, and firs from thistles, in all matters Servian Colonel for ten minutes. He did not know that Masi expected grapes from thorns, and figs from thistles, in all matters connected with secret politics; and that he was a believer in the wonders to be worked by the cabalistic formula of "a combination." To be sure the belief was very vague. But the beliefs which cannot be defined are often those most obstinately clung to. "Bene!" said Masi, with a shrug as if he were shaking something from his shoulders. "No use in tormenting oneself. We must try elsewhere"

thing from his shoulders. "No use in tormenting oneself. We must try elsewhere."

"If," said Colonel Smith-Müller, who had been furtively watching the expression of pity and uneasiness on the Englishman's face, "if I could dispose of a sum of ready money,—a thousand francs,—or say" (still narrowly watching Chester) "a couple of thousand lire Italiane in your beautiful paper money, my dear Masi, I believe I could compass the matter. A couple of thousand francs judiciously placed will do a good deal. And they would bear a high rate of interest. The speculation is good enough to afford that. But, que voulez vous? I am a poor devil to whom they don't even pay his pension regularly,—earned with the blood of a soldier. That's the worst of being hard up. For himself, an old soldier can bear it. But not to be able to help a friend at a pinch—!"

"Basta, basta!" interrupted Masi, almost roughly. He was

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"Basta, basta!" interrupted Masi, almost roughly. He was revolted by this obvious appeal in forma fauperis to Chester's well-filled purse. It was one thing to ask a man for a service in exchange for which he was offered a share in a good speculation, and another thing to whine and hint for his assistance in the tone of a begging-letter writer. "We've talked money long enough," proceeded Masi. "It gives me a bad taste in the mouth after a certain time. Non olet? Per Bacco, I think nothing stinks so foully as money!"

foully as money!"
"Affaire de goût," observed the Colonel, passing a dusky handkerchief, which had been whiter when the week was young, across his dyed moustache. "I rather like the smell of it."

Chester went away with a depression of spirits. He had no special regard for Masi, whom indeed he had scarcely known before that evening, as has been said: but he thought him a bright, engaging, friendly fellow. And it seemed a thousand pities to see him the comrade and dupe of Smith-Müller. Chester nourished an implacable antipathy against the gallant Colonel, which had risen from passive disgust to active detestation during the hour just passed in his society.

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"I believe the fellow to be a consummate rascal, as he is obviously a consummate blackguard," said Chester to himself, as he left the office of the *Tribune of the People*. "His bullying is objectionable enough; but his cajolery is something too unspeakably revolting. One would like to have him flogged—by machinery. So that no decent hangman, or whoever it is, should be obliged to come too

All this time William Chester had been lingering in Rome instead of proceeding to England. He said he was in no hurry. Why should he be in a hurry? There was no one waiting for him at home. His father and mother had both been dead for several years, and of his few remaining relatives he declared he thought Violet Moore was as near as any. But Miss Baines, searching among her memories of the time when she had kept house for Violet's widowed father, and had talked with him about his family, reminded the young man of an Uncle John and a first-cousin Sarah, who, at the last reports, were living in Surrey, and who would surely rejoice to welcome back their returning kinsman. But William Chester remained insensible to the voice of Nature—if the voice of Nature was supposed to make him yearn for the society of relations whom he had never seen, and who had left him to shift for himself after his father's death. "I feel a great deal nearer to you," he said one day in answer to a speech of Miss Baines' on the subject. "When I used to hear my mother talk of your goodness to her cousin Henry Moore, and how devoted you were to his little motherless girl, she always spoke of you as 'Aunt Betsy.' I wish I might call you Aunt Betsy. It seems to come so natural! May I?"

"Oh, if you like. Oh yes, certainly," answered Betsy Baines in her constrained where the support of the second of the support of memories of the time when she had kept house for Violet's widowed

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"Oh, if you like. Oh yes, certainly," answered Betsy Baines in "Oh, it you like. Oh yes, certainly," answered Betsy Baines in permission in a stranger's ears. But Chester understood her, and was quite content. One standing excuse which he alleged for lingering on—although there did not appear to be any reason why he should allege an excuse at all—was that he had not yet seen all the sights of Rome. The fact was he spent more time at Aunt Betsy's lodgings than was compatible with much sight-seeing. What little he did in that way was done in company with the What little he did in that way was done in company with the Higginses, in order, as he said, to profit by Violet's Italian, Mrs. Higgins not having yet, in her husband's phrase, "brought herself down to the inferior lingo of Rome," to the point of understanding much that was said in it.

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Chester saw the girl under trying circumstances; between the blunt arrogance of her uncle, and the falschood and affectation of Mrs. Higgins. He saw her gentle, unselfish, and generally cheerful, although at times there was an air of lassitude in her young figure, and an expression of melancholy on her young face, which made him observe her anxiously. So far as he knew, Violet had scarcely

any other society than that of her aunt and of Mr. and Mrs. Higgins. And the latter was an eternally jarring element. "There is nothing so exhausting to live with as humbug," thought Chester. "Of course it is not a cheerful life for a young girl." And the longing grew in his heart to take her away from it all into a happy home of her own; to surround her with tenderness and sympathy: longing grew in his heart to take her away from it all into a happy home of her own; to surround her with tenderness and sympathy; to give her the support of an honest manful affection. He dreamt of persuading her to go back to India with hith. And he pictured to himself how he would tell her that if Aunt Betsy would come too, she should be welcome to share their home. He had thought that the climate might be good for Miss Baines, who always suffered when it was cold and damp. They should have their winter home in Calcutta, and in summer go up to the hills. Three years more in India, he reckoned, would give him enough to insure him and his wife from poverty. And then he would come home and practise his profession from the vantage ground of a small independence. He could fancy the light in Violet's eyes, and the broad bright smile on her lips, when he should tell her how he had planned it all. Of course he often had moments of doubt and trepidation. But then again he would grow hopeful. Every true lover has to undergo such alternations. Violet was always sweet in her manner to him, and had come to treat him with a familiar kindness which she did not had come to treat him with a familiar kindness which she did not accord to other people. She appealed to his judgment; she asked his help for small services; she had even been confidential with him on the subject of some of Mrs. Higgins's astonishing manceuvres and deceptions

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Chester's thoughts were full of her as he passed through the streets, after leaving Masi, under the starlight of a fair spring evening. It was not late;—scarcely yet nine o'clock,—and he thought he might venture to call and inquire for Aunt Betsy.

He found Violet alone, sitting in a low chair near the empty stove, and with neither book nor work in her hands. This struck him, for she was never inactive. And although her face was not well illuminated by the one lamp which stood on the table, he got an impression that there were traces of tears on it. He had opened the door unannounced; for Mariuccia had arrived at the decision that she might spare herself any troublesome ceremonies in the case of a relation. And, indeed, she never spoke of him otherwise than as And, indeed, she never spoke of him otherwise than as

Il Cugino—the cousin.
"Oh, Cousin William, is it you?" said Violet. "I was afraid it was a stranger." Something indefinable in the tone of her voice confirmed his idea that she had been shedding tears.

"No; it isn't a stranger. May I come in?"
"Yes," she answered, after a second's hesitation.

He entered, and sat down near her, observing as he did so that she withdrew her head still more into the shadow. "I came to see how Aunt Betsy is this evening."

"She has a slight cold, but it is nothing. I am making her nurse herself."

"Is she in bed?"

"Yes; but she has only just gone."
Chester got up, bent over the low chair on which Violet was eated, and said gently, "Violet, what's the matter?"

There was no answer. "You've been crying!"
"A little."

There was no answer.

"You've been crying!"

"A little."

He sat down again close beside her. "What is it, dear? Do tell me! Do trust me!"

She silently put her handkerchief to her eyes. The sight of her tears hurt him terribly. He winced, and drew in his breath like a person suffering sharp physical pain. "Don't cry, dear! Don't cry! Tell me what is the matter. I may be able to help you."

She could not command herself to speak at the moment, but she laid her hand silently on the back of his, with a confiding gesture. He took her hand and held it while he spoke. "Violet, yeu are not happy. Your life is too uncongenial, your future too uncertain. You are always thinking of others. It is time some one thought of you. I think of you. I believe I have been thinking of you ever since the first day I saw you. Don't take away your hand, dear. Don't tremble. If you can love me a little and let me love you a great deal, we may be so happy, Violet. I do love you, dear—so much, so much; with every pulse of my heart. What is it, Violet?" he cried, in a startled tone. For she had suddenly wrenched her hand from his grasp, and pressed it to her throat, which was convulsed with hysterical sobs.

"Hush! Hush!" she gasped. Don't say any more! Don't—" Then a burst of tears came to her relief, and after a moment she poured out the story of her love and her sorrow and her unhappy engagement, and her uncle's anger, and her anxieties for Masi. Her uncle had been there that evening. He had only just gone away. And he had said such hard things—not to her! No; he had been gentle with her; more gentle than she deserved. But he had spoken so hardly of Mario! "And now what you have said seems almost the cruellest to bear of all," she sobbed, pressing her hands to her temples, and turning her face away from him.

"Oh, Violet!" he stammered with trembling lips. "Oh, Violet!"

"Yes, it does. I have no one to help me now. I thought I could trust you. I thought you were like a brother to me; and that perhaps you would—you would try to help hi

attitude had a peculiar stillness, as of a person half stunned. In all his hopes and fears and anticipations he had never expected this. his hopes and fears and anticipations he had never expected this. He had scarcely seen Masi and Violet together. He had had no hint, no suspicion to prepare him for this revelation. It was all over. All the visions in which his fancy had placed her as the central figure, busying itself with the minutest details that were to minister to her comfort and happiness,—all gone, shattered, swept away like a rosy sunset cloud before a cruel wind bringing darkness and cold. He would suffer more later on; for a violent blow dulls sensation at first. But even at that moment he felt for her. The piteous cry, "I have no one to help me now!" penetrated his

"It seems strange to suppose that I should be less willing to help you, because I love you more than you thought, Violet," he answered quietly in a low voice, which all his will, and his courage, and his man's pride could not make quite steady.

She turned round, and, taking his hand, kissed it with a sudden, humble, penitent action. "Oh, I must seem a selfish, heartless wretch!" she cried. "I don't know what has come to me. But I wretch: sne cried. If you'll know what has come to me. But I do grieve that I have caused you any pain;—although, indeed,—indeed, I did not guess it. And I do appreciate your goodness and forbearance. I would give anything to make you forget that you had ever—ever thought of me in that way. But I cannot."

"Neither you nor any one else can do that, my child. The only thing you can do for me now is to trust me, just as you did before."

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Trust him! Yes, she could trust him; but not quite as she had done before. She would have freely claimed brotherly help and counsel from him yesterday. But she shrank from making any counsel from him yesterday. But she shrank from making any demands on his sympathy to-day. By degrees, however, he induced her to tell him more coherently what her uncle had said. Uncle her to tell him more coherently what her uncle had said. Uncle Joshua had expressed the most decided disapprobation of her engagement. He could not forbid it, of course. He had no power over Violet. But he had told her that he should not only give her no money by way of dowry, but should cancel her name from his will, if she persisted in marrying Captain Masi.

"He may be brought to relent," said Chester slowly.

"I do not care for myself. I never built any hopes on his money. But it is very hard on Mario."

"As for that, I presume he did not propose to you because he thought you were rich." Chester could not bring himself to expend any pity on his favoured rival on that score.

"No, indeed. He knew I was a poor, penniless girl. But he has been making such sacrifices for my sake. Slaving at that newspaper, and sinking all his property in it. If Uncle Joshua would only give him some temporary assistance,—as a mere loan. But he is as hard as adamant against Mario."

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After a pause Chester said, "Would you like me to speak to your uncle, Violet? I don't know that I can do any good. But I am willing, for your sake, to try."

She clasped her hands together. "Oh, how good you are, —how good you are! Uncle Joshua has such a high opinion of you,—

good you are: Once Joshud has said a high opinion of you,—
likes you so much. I should not have dared to ask you—"
"What did you think I meant, then, when I said I loved you?
I do love you, and I always shall. There, there; don't be afraid,
I shall not trouble or distress you any more. But I don't mean to
give up the privilege of being your friend, because I can't be happy
as I had hoped,—I—"
His voice broke. He turned away. "Good-live my darling."

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"Not 'good-bye,' Cousin William."
"Yes; good-bye,' I shall see you again to-morrow, please God.
But it is 'good-bye,' for all that."

CHAPTER XXX.

Mr. HIGGINS had made up his mind that his niece Violet should not marry Captain Masi. Some difficulty there might be in carrying out this resolution, but he did not admit the idea of ultimate failure. He did not, however, refuse to discuss the subject with William Chester—a great proof of his esteem for that young man. "No, no, Chester," said he, "this Captain Marsy won't do at all. A pleasant fellow enough, but not suitable for Violet's husband."

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Chester gently endeavoured to suggest that perhaps on that subject Violet's opinion might be of paramount importance. But Uncle Joshua wouldn't hear of it. "The female character," said he, "is weak, and requires guidance. Violet is truth itself, by nature, but he got influence enough over her to make her deceive me, in a way. He's shifty, you see. I can't say that he told me a direct lie, but he let me think what wasn't true. Directly I spoke with her out came the truth! This love-making has been going on for months. No, no; it won't do. I won't have it."

"I'm afraid she will be very unhappy," said Chester.
"Not so unhappy as if she married Marsy," said Uncle Joshua, confidently.

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"But do you suppose that you shall be able to break it off, Mr. Higgins?"

"Certainly. I have a plan in my head. I shan't mind a little expense. I told Violet I wouldn't give her a penny, nor yet bequeath her a penny, if she married this man. But I'm not avaricious. She knows that. It isn't the money I care for. I've always behaved liberal to every one—especially to my family." But as to the details of his plan Mr. Higgins declined to explain himself. They would see. Least said, soonest mended.

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It was not in human nature Chester should not feel a momentary elation at the thought of Violet's engagement being broken—a reviving gleam of hope. But it was but momentary. If Violet and her lover remained firm, no one had power to part them. The girl had a courageous and faithful nature. And as for him—it wasn't conceivable that he should give up Violet! To Chester's mind the poor girl's prospects looked terribly dark. Let the matter end how it would, he feared she would be unhappy. All that he had seen and heard at the newspaper office recurred to his mind with a new and vivid light on it. Masi was an infinitely more interesting person to him now than he had been on that evening, and he recalled the minutest details of the hour he had spent there. He felt heart-sick and miserable.

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Presently Mrs. Joshua Higgins came sailing and rustling into the room. She was full of astonishment, full of indignation, full of regret, full of anxiety. Of course Mr. Chester had heard the news? As a member of the family he would naturally feel it. But what her (Jane Higgins's) feelings were, no one could imagine! She had not slept for thinking of it. She had been ill—positively ill! It had brought on her nerves! What hurt her most cruelly of all was the duplicity of the thing. She herself was sincere to a fault. If there was one thing more foreign to her nature than another, it was secreence december. She almost feared she should never he able to secrecy—deception. She almost feared she should never be able to forgive Betsy Baines. Betsy Baines was really the most to blame. How she could have gone on looking her confiding uncle in the face, Mrs. Higgins was at a loss to imagine. And so on in a flow of words which threatened to be inexhaustible; the more so, that having said all she had to say never appeared to Mrs. Higgins a

reason for holding her tongue.

Her husband did not relish this attack on his nicces. He had often boasted that Violet was "a genuine Higgins" in respect of truthfulness, and had even held her up to Jane as a model. And that ingenuous lady was now taking her revenge. Her tirade, however, had one effect that she had not reckoned on; it caused Mr. Higgins to spare Betsy Baines many reproaches. His wife's voluble animadversions roused a spirit of contradiction in him. He did not choose that his niece should be scolded by any one but himself. "Women," said he, "are always in extremes, Jane Higgins. It's lucky they are not called on to judge; for judgment is sadly wanting in them. You leave it to me to form my own opinions, and act according."

"I hope all may turn out well!" said Mrs. Higgins, with a mournful shake of the head. "But really I tremble. Violet—dear child!—is sadly obstinate."

"Well, I suppose you wouldn't expect her to be willing to marry a man one day, and drop him the next quite cool and unconcerned!" said Mr. Higgins, sharply. And then it occurred to his wife that she was not producing exactly the effect she wished, and had better be silent. Mr. Higgins to spare Betsy Baines many reproaches.

Chester walked miles that day along the dusty roads outside Rome, absorbed in painful thoughts, seeing little of the scenes he passed through. Trying to put the case fairly before his own mind, he told himself that if Violet had been his sister he should still have he told himself that if iolet had been his he told himself that if Violet had been his sister he should still have thought the match an ill-advised one, and that he was not bribed by jealousy and disappointment to think so. But Violet was not his sister. He was deeply in love with her, and he had told her so. How could he try to dissuade her from this marriage now? If he were willing to incur the odium of doing so, he stood at a disadvantagk with Violet for the task. Chester had a deep nature, not easily ruffled by surface breezes. But it was stirred to its depths now. And his agitation was both more painful and more enduring than that of a shallower character can ever be. He had turned, and was walking back towards Rome along the dusty Via Flaminia, when he mat of a snallower character can ever be. He had turned, and was walking back towards Rome along the dusty Via Flaminia, when he was startled by a loud shout, and leaped aside only just in time to avoid the wheel of a carriage drawn by a spirited horse, which dashed past him, and then was suddenly pulled up a few paces further on. He saw a hand beckoning to him from the window, and a delicate face growned with waving masses of dark bair looking out. a delicate face crowned with waving masses of dark hair looking out. He recognised Madame Guarini, at whose house he had been several times since his first introduction there.

"Mr. Chester, I am so glad to find you," said Nina. "Let me carry you back to the town." He would have excused himself, but she insisted. "Pray, pray, come into the carriage. Never mind

your dusty shoes. I so much want to speak to you about Violet." He jumped in, and seated himself beside her.

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Chester expected that Madame Guarini was about to speak of the troubles consequent on the discovery of Violet's engagement; he knew her to be an intimate friend of his cousin. But to his surprise she began by asking him if he could guess what cause of anger Captain Masi had against her (Nina Guarini). "A fancied cause, it must be," she said. "For I have never treated him otherwise than as a true friend." She went on to tell him that she had had a letter from Masi late the previous night—at past eleven o'clock. It was very violent and reproachful, and made some mysterious allusions to treason and bad faith on her part in the matter of a certain Company in which Masi had had shares, but with the details of which she need treason and bad faith on her part in the matter of a certain Company in which Masi had had shares, but with the details of which she need not trouble Mr. Chester. "But all that is not the worst. Masi will find out his mistake some day, and come round. Even if he does not—pazienza! I have never done him an ill turn, so I bear him no malice. What really distresses me is his forbidding Violet to see me or speak to me on pain of his sovereign displeasure!"

"Forbidding Violet to speak to you!"

"Those are his words. And she confirms them. Here is a note from her. That faithful creature, Kitty Low, brought it this morning, and told me at the same time of all the troubles they are in with the uncle. Ah, poveretta! Please read Violet's note."

Chester, in profound astonishment, read as follows :-

"I don't know how to say it to you, but it must be said. Mario forbids me to come to you any more unless I would break with him altogether. He is so excited, and irritable, and angry, that I can obtain nothing clear from him, but he says you have betrayed him, and done him harm. Oh, Signora Nina, what can it be? I am sure he is mistaken. I know it. You are incapable—I am crying so that I scarcely see what I am writing. Have patience a little while. It will be cleared up, it must be. Don't be too angry with Mario. He is deceived. I am so unhappy—not only for myself, but I seem to bring trouble to every one. but I seem to bring trouble to every one.

"VIOLET MOORE."

The young man looked up bewildered after finishing this note. "I see you know nothing of this," said Nina.
"I am stunned by it. Has Captain Masi gone mad?"
"Ah, Dio mio! This is a weary world. And the best thing I ever heard of the next is that there is no marrying nor giving in marriage in it."
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"I gather that you think my cousin's engagement an unfortunate one.

"I can't deny it."

"I can't deny it."

"I fear you have a very unfavourable opinion of Captain Masi."

"Intendiamoci! Let us understand each other. In some respects Masi is a good fellow. His code is not your code, but he has one: a little en l'air, perhaps; made up of prejudices rather than principles; not very reasonable, not very wise;—a code which has renounced religion as irrational, but retains an unshakeable faith in the power of the evil eye. And yet, with all that, Masi is a man who would sooner die,—I mean it literally,—than be dishonoured, as he understands honour."

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Chester pressed his hand to his forehead. "Do you know," he asked after a pause, "how Captain Masi's affairs really stand? How his newspaper prospers? I fear he is terribly embarrassed." Nina shook her head. Her husband had told her at one time that there seemed to be a chance of some political men of Masi's party taking him up. In that case he might be rescued from debt. But, as a commercial speculation, the newspaper would never pay.

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"In that case, it would surely be the wisest plan for him to give it up altogether," said Chester.

"Undoubtedly it would. I have told him so."

"Then why on earth doesn't he?" asked Chester, knitting

his brows.

"He is an exceptional man who always acts wisely," replied Nina in her dry, sarcastic voice. Then, after a second, she added, "But the fact is, that in this case there is mixed up a notion of honour, as he thinks. He clings to it, because—because—"
"Because he is unwilling to throw his staff out of work, and through and pay every one? I see. I can understand

hopes to pull through and pay every one? I see. I can understand the feeling. But it is a mistake. They will only suffer more

at last."

"It isn't exactly that," said Nina, with an odd look, "The truth is, Masi has so completely identified himself with the journal, has put so much pride and amour propre into its success—has rushed into the thing with the inexperience of a rash boy, fancying he was a match for——" she checked the name of Peretti on her lips. She was not going to revile any of "the party" to this stranger. "In short, he was a tool where he fancied himself a master. And now short, he was a tool where he fancied himself a master. And now his notion is—I know him so well—that it would humiliate and disgrace him, -like abandoning his colours on the field, -to give

it up."

"But—that seems to me to be mere selfish vanity," said Chester.

"I told you his code was not your code," answered Nina gravely.
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"If he were alone it might be forgiven. But is Violet to be sacrificed to this foolish egotism?"
Nina was silent. But when Chester turned his face away, gazing out of the carriage window with knitted brows, she looked at him long and scrutinisingly, and the suspicion came into her mind that his feeling for Violet was something more than cousinly. After a long silence, and just as they were about to enter the city by the Porta del Popolo, Chester asked the Signora if she were acquainted with a certain Colonel Smith-Miiller. She answered that she was not, but that she had heard him mentioned by Masi and others. not, but that she had heard him mentioned by Masi and others. Chester unhesitatingly expressed the most unfavourable opinion of the Colonel, and added that he thought he exercised a pernicious influence over Captain Masi.

What sort of influence?" asked Nina. "Well, it is hard to define. He pretends to have secret political information. And he is full of extravagant schemes for making money. He was talking of one the other night—I'm not at liberty to mention what it was, for it was confided to me as a secret, which I thought wild nonsense."

Nina gave him a quick, keen look, "Did they ask you to put money into it? Ah, well, never mind. You need not answer that question."
"I am bound to say, at all events, that Captain Masi did press anything of the kind, but checked Smith-Müller when he tried it."

"Just like Masi. He is far too proud to importune you in that

way."

"It occurred to me,—whether it might be possible that this vagabond, who calls himself a colonel, had prejudiced Masi against you?"

"Oh! Most unlikely! Why should he? I never saw him in my life. What countryman is he? A German?"

"He says he's a Servian. But, if I were asked to make a guess, I should say he was Russian. Perhaps a Russian spy."

Nina's face changed. The words revived painful associations in

ner mind.

"Humph! C'est une idée," she said thoughtfully. "I cannot say I think it very likely, but, still—I will inform myself about this man. Meanwhile, if you see Violet tell her that I love her the same as ever. Don't let her think ill of me if you can help it."

(To be continued)

THE COCK TAVERN IN A.D. 1750

FROM an antiquarian and sentimental point of view, the removal of ancient landmarks is more or less a matter for regret, and especially in old cities and towns. The neighbourhood of Temple Bar has gradually and especially suffered the extinction or modernisation of ancient landmarks in the way of old coffee-houses and taverns, which ancient landmarks in the way of old conee-nouses and taverns, which had historical, social, and literary associations connected with them. Where is the "Devil" Tavern, and its Apollo Room, the resort of the wits of Ben Jonson's family? Where "Dick's" Coffee House, sacred to the glorious humour of Addison and Steele? Where the "Cat and Fiddle," or Christopher Kat's Pie House in Shire Lander which are credited with having been the readequous of the "Cat and Fiddle," or Christopher was a file House in Shire Lane, both of which are credited with having been the rendezvous of the Kit Cat Club and origin of its title? Where the "Trumpet," afterwards the "Duke of York?" Where the "Angel and Crown?" Where the "Rainbow" Coffee House, the second of the kind opened in London which could boast of its "token-money?" Where the "Mitre" Tavern in Fleet Street, the favourite haunt of Dr. Johnson, Collegial Bases Hawksworth, and Boswell? Where the Goldsmith, Percy, Hawksworth, and Boswell? Where the "Haunch of Venison?" and where "Peele's" Coffee House, also of the Jonsonian period? Some have altogether disappeared; some

of the Jonsonian period? Some have altogether disappeared; some have changed their names and even localities; and some have been so "transmogrified" as almost to have lost their identity.

And last but not least—where is "The Cock" in Fleet Street? Not to know "The Cock" is to "argue oneself unknown." Even if it lacked the vates sacer generations ago, has it not been immortalised with its "plump head waiter" by the living Poet Laureate? "Will Waterproof's Lyrical Monologue" may not be in Tennyson's best vein; and evidently he did not labour that it should be. It is, however, full of graceful fancy and genial thought; a not unworthy effusion of one who could make

The violet of a legend blow Among the chops and steaks;

and who in his unknown days dwelt in lofty chambers at 57, Lincoln's Inn Fields, and regularly frequented "The Cock" for his five o'clock dinner and "perfect pint of stout" or "port." But even without the aid of the Laureate "The Cock" would have had its place in the annals of taverns, and would have had its place in the annals of taverns, and would be long remembered, even though, in the whirligig of time, its place "should know it no more." When the Great Plague of London was raging in 1665, the landlord of "The Cock" shut up his house and retired into the country, as the following advertisement in the Intelligencer intimated:—"This is lowing advertisement in the Intelligencer intimated:—"This is to notify that the master of the Cock and Bottle, commonly called the Cock Ale House, at Temple Bar, hath dismissed his servants and shut up his house, for this long vacation, intending (God willing) to return at Michaelmas next, so that all persons whatsoever, who have any Accompts with the said Master, or farthings belonging to the said house, are desired to repair thither before the 8th of this instant July, and they shall receive satisfaction." One of these farthings or tokens, we believe the only known specimen of the coinage of the "Cock," is carefully preserved in the house, where it may be seen by the curious. The Great Fire of London was stayed at Temple Bar, so that the "Cock Tavern" looked upon and survived it. A few years later we find Pepys frequenting it, and on April 23rd, 1668, being "mighty merry" there with Mr. Pierce and Mr. Knipp and their wives. Judging from the wood-carving above the mantelpiece, and the mantelpiece itself, which is the same now as it was in 1750—the date, of our engraving—the old coffee-room existed some time date of our engraving—the old coffee-room existed some time before the reign of James I.; and with its pew-like boxes of mahogany black as ebony, with curtains above them, its low ceiling, its skylight-like windows, and its sanded or sawdusted floor, it has

experienced but slight alterations during many generations.

The setting back of one side of Fleet Street westward of Chancery Lane, in connection with the building of the new Law Courts, has necessitated the destruction of the old frontage of "The Cock;" and this some few months ago seems to have prompted some unsentimental miscreant to steal the old sign above the type entrance. the tavern entrance—a gilt cock said to have been carved by no less cunning a hand than Grinling Gibbons. This was a redoubtable bird, decorated with fighting spurs; and it may be charitably said that the wretch who purloined him, whether as a charitably said that the wretch who purloined him, whether as a practical joke, or with the purpose of some day converting him into money as a Gallic antiquity, would have robbed a church without any compunction on the score of sacrilege. It is said that, like its neighbouring tavern, "The Southampton," in Southampton Buildings, Chancery Lane, sacred to the memory of "Hudibras" Butler, Dr. Stoddard, editor of the Times, Porson, of Greek and ink-imbibing celebrity, Charles Lamb, and Hazlitt, "The Cock" will probably assume the more modern form of a "restaurant;" and thus it will be said of it—

" Miratur novas frondes et non sua poma."

But if so, we will still hope that it will preserve the genius loci, and supply its customers as heretofore with unrivalled chops and steaks, and good liquor withal to ease their passage downwards.



"MY TRIVIAL LIFE AND MISFORTUNE," by "A Plain Woman" "My TRIVIAL LIFE AND MISFORTUNE," by "A Plain Woman" (3 vols.: Blackwood and Sons), is really an exceedingly clever and amusing novel, though it is very truly styled on the title-page "A Gossip, with No Plot in Particular." The effect is precisely as if the authoress had literally sat down to take her revenge upon her relations and friends by gossiping about them to the public at large, It is just gossip—very small, but thoroughly sparkling and lively. We do not suppose that Aunt Jane, for example, is a photograph of any actual personage, but she is an admirable imitation of one. The type is familiar, but there are points about her which differentiate the species from the type, and the individual from the species. The same, in hardly less degree, may be said of all the characters in the novel—a group of butterflies broken upon a wheel species. The same, in hardly less degree, may be said of all the characters in the novel—a group of butterflies broken upon a wheel not too cumbrous for insecticide, and with the lightest and quickest of blows. "A Plain Woman" has both original observation and a very spontaneous sense of humour, finding its playground in the common world of little things. By calling her humour spontaneous, we mean that the reader is never invited, much less commanded, to smile. The authoress simply narrates, and leaves her characters to converse, without any apparent care that the talk or the incidents converse, without any apparent care that the talk or the incidents should be amusing, just as in real life the most amusing people are those who take the least pains to be anything of the kind. The absurdities of the amateur stage and concert-room appear to have struck the authoress very keenly, and she describes them with just that touch of unfairness which is the essence of effective caricature. In short, all drawing room cynics will find this plotless novel a book after their own hearts, and will feel that they would themselves have written the like had they possessed a wit and a pen as sharp as their eyes. On the other hand, beyond this ultra-feminine sharpness in penetrating through all the ins and outs of small people and small things, there is not much to be said of these singular volumes, and ordinary readers will not easily forgive the authorses for starting and are proposed allot of married life in authoress for starting a real and complicated plot of married life in her last pages, and then suddenly letting her curtain fall—for just piquing curiosity, and then leaving it unsatisfied. With all its merits, we do not imagine that "A Plain Woman" will ever do

anything better, and should even be surprised if she ever does anything again so well. We trust that we may do injustice to her resources in thinking that, in "My Trivial Life," she has put all the goods into the shop window, as the saying goes.

Two matters are exceedingly prominent in Mr. George Manville Fenn's "Eli's Children" (3 vols.: Chapman and Hall). One is the excessive mortality among the characters, of whom at the close scarcely any worth mentioning are left alive; the other is the author's apparent belief that every woman is at the mercy of any and every scoundrel, so long as the latter is resolute, broadshouldered, and the reverse of a gentleman. Three out of the five heroines go the same road in this matter: one we are made to feel and every scoundrel, so long as the latter is resolute, broadshouldered, and the reverse of a gentleman. Three out of the five heroines go the same road in this matter: one we are made to feel sure would have gone, had she been sufficiently bullied and insulted; and the fifth only escapes because no scoundrel came in her way. The most outrageous of these cases is that of Julia Mallow, the refined and pure-minded daughter of an aristocratic rector, loved by a noble-natured gentleman, and engaged to be married out of duty to her father. This young lady elopes, the night before her wedding day, with a tramp, poacher, and gaolbird, for no reason that can be gathered than that she was fascinated by his muscular ruffianism. The reader is supposed, nevertheless, to sympathise with her, as also with the other young woman who followed her example in a somewhat less flagrant fashion. Mr. Fenn's libel upon womankind is weakened by some remarkable inaccuracies. Rossetti's poems, for example, were not in the hands of drawing-room reciters twenty years ago, nor had "æstheticism," as a subject for caricature, been invented at that period. In a very different matter, the brief which has so much to do with bringing the story to a dramatic close would not have been endorsed "Re Esdaile," but "Regina v. Mallow"—an unfortunate error, since upon its assumption all that follows depends. On the whote, "Eli's Children," while consisting of a chaos of improbabilities and impossibilities, great and small, is decidedly readable, if only by reason of the spirit and courage which take no account of obstacles, whatever they may be.

The death of the late Mrs. Buxton, author of "Jennie of the Prince's," must be held the greater loss to fiction by reason of her share in the authorship of "A Noble Name" (3 vols.: F. V. White and Co.), written in collaboration with Mr. W. W. Fenn. Of course it is impossible to distinguish her portion of the work, of which the original plan appears to have been Mr. Fenn's. But, as

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Messrs. Reid Brothers.—"Facing the Foe" is a martial and vigorous song, of a school for which there has been a demand, which is now on the wane. The words are by Henry Hepburn; the music by Odoardo Barri.—"The Old Gladiator" is a pathetic song of medium compass, written and composed by B. Britten and J. Trousselle.—A third song of the same type is "The Old Flag;" words and music by Godfrey Marks.—"The Trumpet March," by W. H. Jude, and "Gavotte et Musette," by J. Trousselle, are useful and pleasing pianoforte pieces for the drawing-room.—The quaintly got-up frontispiece of "Dame Durden and Her Serving Men and Maids" attracts attention to the polka which bears that name, composed by Annetine. The tune is bright and merry enough to catch the ear, and become a popular favourite.—"The Meynell Hunt Waltzes," by Frederick Cotton, will not only please those sporting folks who are interested therein, but also the members of the dancing world in general.

Messrs. Weekes and Co.—A tragical tale is told in "Seaweed," a song of medium compass, written and composed by C. M. Harrison. Heartless coquettes may take a lesson therefrom.—A brace of cheerful pieces for the pianoforte, by Cotsford Dick, will be useful for after-dinner performance. They are respectively "In Ye Olden Time," a menuet de la cour, and "Tarentella." The latter is the more original of the two.—A very good system for teaching beginners to keep correct time is that of "Duets for Teacher and Pupil." Myles B. Foster has arranged and harmonised in this form "Six Duets on Airs of Northern Nations," which will prove of great utility in the schoolroom.—"Elsie," a serenade by Charles Gardner, is a melodious and flowing pianoforte piece for the drawing-room.—"The Edelweiss Polka," by W. J. B. Robinson, and "Perfect Bliss Waltz," by Charles Vincent, are two fair specimens of dance music which will serve their purpose for a season.

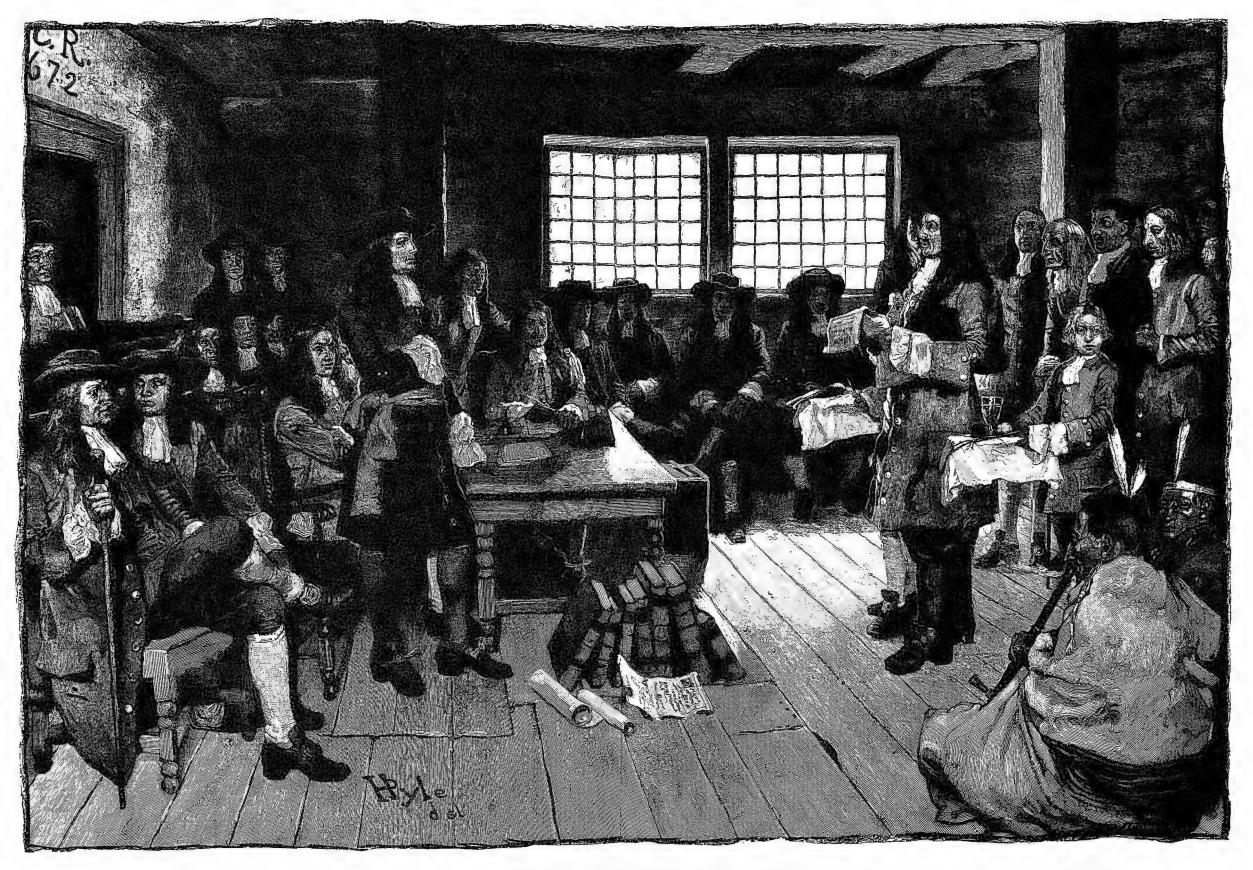
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Messrs. Boosey and Co.—If sung with due expression, "For Ever Dearer," written and composed by F. W. H. Myers and Ernest Bergholt, will make a favourable impression. It is published in two keys, E and G.—Very dramatic and original is "The Train;" words by F. E. Weatherly, music by J. L. Molloy, and sung with unvarying success by Madame A. Sterling.—By the above composer is a very charming setting of a poem by Hugh Conway, "Changes." Both music and words of this song are of more than ordinary merit.—Bold and nervous are both words and music of "My Life for Thee," written and composed by Hamilton Aidé and Stephen Adams.—Good, honest sentiments by Claxson Bellamy, and music to correspond by E. A. Sydenham, are united in "Farmer John," which will win hearty applause at a country concert or musical reading.—A decidedly commonplace lovesong is "Meanwhile," words and music by Hugh Conway and A. H. Behrend.—A very pleasing song is "I Did not Know," written and composed by Frank L. Moir,—The veteran composer, J. L. Hatton, has not often done better than with "The Old Pilot," words by John Stewart. There is an atmosphere of the sea about this nautical ballad which will commend it to all hearers.—Longfellow's piquante poem, "Beware," has tempted many a composer. This time it has been set to a bright and sparkling waltz tune, by A. L. Moir, for a soprano. If sung with taste, it will certainly be encored wherever it is heard.—Very fresh and quaint is "A Faithful Heart," a Brazilian melody, by J. Gomez, adapted to English words, the pianoforte accompaniment arranged by Maude V. White, published in D and F.

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MISCELLANEOUS.—Very dull and commonplace are both words and music by Messrs. G. W. Morrison and Haydn Grover of "O, Tell Me Not;" we had expected better things from the composer of "Dreamland" (C. Roylance).—Two songs written and composed by G. Clifton Bingham and Allan Macbeth are both very effective, and will prove a boon to all teachers of young ladies: they are a song to all teachers of young ladies: they are a song to all teachers of young ladies: by G. Clifton Bingham and Allan Macbeth are both very effective, and will prove a boon to all teachers of young ladies; they are: "The Voice of the Waters," and "Only You" (Messrs. W. J. Willcocks and Co.).—A pianoforte piece with a simple vocal accompaniment will be found in "Lullaby," a very charming setting by W. W. Hedgcock of Barry Cornwall's beautiful poem, better-known as "Dream, Baby, Dream"—(Messrs. Augener and Co.).—Very dull and uninteresting is "The Shepherd Boy," written and composed by Laura Barrett and M. A. Baker (Messrs. Stanley Lucas and Co.)—"Leaving the Old Home" is a very feeble set of posed by Laura Barrett and M. A. Baker (Messrs. Stanley Lucas and Co.)—"Leaving the Old Home" is a very feeble set of waltzes by E. A. Sutton; all the more disappointing from the remembrance of a charming set of waltzes "Poppies in the Corn," by the same composer (Messrs. Conrad Herzog and Co.)



THE FIRST VISIT OF WILLIAM PENN TO AMERICA-A CONFERENCE WITH THE COLONISTS



THE second number of the National is altogether an improvement on the first. In a vigorous article on Lord Ripon's New Indian Policy, Mr. Seton-Karr deals mainly with his scheme for training the natives in self-government by handing over local public works to the management of native committees. All Indian history is against the measure, and Lord Ripon himself apparently admits that it will involve some sacrifice of efficiency. And all this, Mr. Karr asks, for what? To force upon the native a change he does not want, ignoring all differences of national character, and to deprive the English official of the work which brightened the dull routine of a district officer's life, and earned for him the respect and gratitude both of Hindoos and Mahommedans.—Mr. Hoare describes an unique experience of housekeeping in one of the worst streets in London, with evening parties of some of its worst characters. Yet Mr. Hoare was only once in serious danger, thanks to the accom-In a vigorous article on Lord Ripon's New Indian Mr. Hoare was only once in serious danger, thanks to the accomplished "chucker-out" whom he engaged as "deputy" and door-keeper; but the risk he ran was often greater than he knew, and the whole adventure scarcely of a kind to commend itself to the most ardent seeker after new sensations.—Mr. G. Potter, in his "Imperial Emigration"—theadjective is cunningly chosen—advances views more likely to find favour with Tory than with Liberal politicians; for the escence of his pulm is State aided emigration. views more likely to find favour with Tory than with Liberal politicians; for the essence of his plan is State-aided emigration on an extensive scale to our own Colonies, in the fashion proposed by Canada in 1880. "Voluntary emigration" takes too many to "the States," and carries off the enterprising spirits whom the old country can ill afford to lose, while it does little to relieve the unemployed masses, who are fast becoming—as the next trade crisis may show—a very dangerous power in the State.—A graceful paper by Lord Lytton on "An Essayist of 300 Years Ago"—Montaigne, to wit, that charming egotist whose egotism never bores, "because when he talks about himself he talks about us all," and an historical study by Mr. Kebbel of the Coalition between Lord North and Fox (April 1, 1783), are perhaps the best among the remaining articles.

Contemporary and Fortnightly are good numbers. "A German Field Officer's" review in the former of "The Egyptian Campaign," while admitting Tel-el-Kebir to be a famous victory, and the ride

Field Officer's" review in the former of "The Egyptian Campaign," while admitting Tel-el-Kebir to be a famous victory, and the ride to Cairo a splendid feat of arms, finds only fresh proof of our unreadiness in "the want of sufficient landing troops in the fleet before Alexandria," and the occasional shortcomings of the Transport Service. Amusingly German is the concluding prophecy that "Egypt will bring England to the consciousness that she is the least of the land Powers of Europe," and that the nation then "will militarise itself."—Mr. Aubrey contributes an interesting account of the "Conseilsde Prud'hommes," of which France has now 132, for the cheap and ready settlement of trade disputes between masters and workmen, and between workmen among themselves. When the amount exceeds 200 fr. there is an appeal to the Civil Courts; but this right is rarely exercised. Similar Arbitration Courts might very amount exceeds 200 fr. there is an appeal to the Civil Courts; but this right is rarely exercised. Similar Arbitration Courts might very well, the writer thinks, be generally introduced in England.—Under the title of "The Gospel according to Rembrandt," Mr. R. Heath contributes some delightful criticism of the religious pictures of the great Dutch painter. It is not, he maintains, the want of good taste which makes the figures and their surroundings mean and vulgar; it is the influence of the popular belief which loved to represent to itself New Testament scenes in a homely and familiar light—Joseph and Mary, for instance, as a farmer and his wife; the Disciples at Emmans as simple hoors, such as might be seen at any village in

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Three million three hundred thousand men—or, say, with volunteers, three million seven hundred thousand—is the force which France, if M. Barthelémy's figures in the Fortnightly are correct, can call to arms if her territory be invaded. And these, he adds, are now completely organised, and better equipped than perhaps any other army in the world. Better horses for the cavalry, and some addition to the officer corps, are still required. These wants supplied, M. Barthélemy should be clearly right in saying that "France can look on the future without fear."—M. de Laveleye, in his "European Terror," gives a valuable sketch of Socialist organisations on the Continent, from Anarchists down to the more sensible "evolutionist Collectivists"—despised, of course, as traitors and cowards by the rest—who seek to return representatives to Parliaand cowards by the rest—who seek to return representatives to Parliament, and to make their way by converting others to their views. The great teacher of Collectivism was the Belgian Colins; though his theories—very similar, by the way, to those of Mr. George—were applicable only to land. For the full expansion of Collectivist ideas, both to land and capital, we must go to an ex-Finance Minister of Austria, Dr. Albert Schäffle.—Professor Jebb, in his "Tour in the Troad," gives a graphic picture of the Trojan landscape. The general effect was different from the idea he had formed from books, and is so well described that the Homeric student will have no difficulty in realising the scene at once—Mr. A. J. Wilson's advice to Mr. Childers to attempt an extensive reduction of the National Debt has lost something of its interest since the

Wilson's advice to Mr. Uniders to attempt an extensive reduction of the National Debt has lost something of its interest since the publication of the Budget. Mr. Childers's scheme is even more far-reaching than Mr. Wilson's, though that involved the sweeping away of the hundred millions of Reduced Three per Cents en bloc.

To the Nineteenth Century the Rev. S. A. Barnett contributes a curiously suggestive article, "Practicable Socialism." Life at the East End—or, indeed, anywhere—is dull enough for the poor. Even the well-paid artisan, whose earnings may amount to forty shillings a week, has not much left, when necessary wants have been provided for, to make existence beautiful or ornamental. The State Mr. a week, has not much left, when necessary wants have been provided for, to make existence beautiful or ornamental. The State, Mr. Barnett thinks, might come to his help, making people's playgrounds, "with green grass and fair flowers," as common as workhouses; halls where he could hear music and look at pictures as numerous as dispensaries; providing small pensions, as a matter of right, instead of outdoor and indoor relief, for industrious workmen who had reached sixty, and turning the workhouses into schools for learning trades. And for all this, he thinks, it would not be necessary to impose fresh rates, but to administer existing funds more equitably and economically. There is a hint, however, of readjustment of taxes upon property which to many will seem rather "Socialist" than "practicable."—Mr. M'Kenzie, late missionary among the Bechuanas, urges us strongly to take the native tribes under our protection. We should have one High Commissioner for South Africa, whom we might call, if we liked, a Governor-General, and who should appoint resident magistrates to assist and, at the same time, restrain the tribal chiefs. The natives, he thinks, would willingly submitto the representative of Imperial power. The Colonies willingly submitto the representative of Imperial power. The Colonies themselves are quite unequal to the task—the Cape Colony from its geographical position; the Dutch States because they would pursue a geographical position; the Dutch States because they would pursue a method which England could not approve.—Mr. Froude has the first half of an interesting study, "An Unsolved Historical Riddle" of the days of Philip II. of Spain; and Matthew Arnold a dainty essay on "Isaiah of Jerusalem," in which he shows the Old Testament revisers how revision would be carried out by a man of taste.

The North American, the Modern Review, and Modern Thought have all congenial matter for grave thinkers. Dr. Benton's "Canadian View of Annexation" in the first, is an article after the heart of Mr. Goldwin Smith. Republicanism, according to the writer, is steadily gaining ground in Canada; and the New Dominion, a sort of geographical dumb-bell, two heavy ends united by a

writer, is steadily gaining ground in Canada; and the New Dominion, a sort of geographical dumb-bell, two heavy ends united by a thin bar, has little prospect of holding very long together. It would be much better, he thinks, for Canada to unite itself to the Northern and Eastern States, which are its best customers,

and where a million French and English Canadians have already made their homes.—In the Modern Review a "French Catholic Priest" has a paper on "The Present State of the Church in France," which reminds us a little of the once famous "Le Maudit." The despotism of the Bishops which crushes all life out of the inferior clarge is beinging with your the Church itself. "Le Maudit." The despotism of the Bishops which crushes all life out of the inferior clergy is bringing ruin upon the Church itself, learning is discouraged, and posts, once given away by competitive examination, are now universally filled by favour—savoir counting for nothing in comparison with savoir faire. A Pope like Leo XIII., who is also a patron of learning, would do very much, so the "Priest" opines, if he were not hoodwinked by the Bishops, and if reforms were pressed on him by M. Grévy and his advisers.—From Modern Thought we must be content to note a very interesting essay on "The Part Played by Women in Browning's Poems." Browning's Poems."
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The Atlantic Monthly has little of exceptional interest, for the "Bacon-Shakespeare Craze" has too few believers here for even Mr. R. G. White's able demolition of the absurdities of its latest champion to allure very many; and Mr. O. W. Holmes's "Pillow-Smoothing Authors," a chapter of pleasant comments on old Burton of the "Anatomy," is somewhat slight, though not without a fair share of the grave humour which is the special charm of "the Autocrat of the Breakfast Table."—Blackwood, besides its old attraction, "The Ladies Lindores," has the first chapter of a new serial, "The Millionnaire," and a rather clever political prophecy ("A Sibylline Leaf") of the time to come, say in 1950, when people will be half inclined to tar and feather the man who goes about talking of rights and liberties, and when newspapers goes about talking of rights and liberties, and when newspapers will have died a natural death by reason of a law which will

forbid anybody to write of things he does not understand.

Mr. Farrar's charming paper, "Animal Mythology," is perhaps the best of several good essays in the Cornhill. How animals first came to be worshipped, and to form the centre of a cycle of legends, came to be worshipped, and to define transmigration of souls may is a mystery. Vague ideas of the transmigration of souls may possibly have been the origin of such beliefs. At any rate, they spread and flourished till comparatively late times, even in Europe; while they are still the creed of savage races in Africa or in the Southern Seas. Christianity did not do away with them, though it often added to or reversed them, deposing some animals and exalting others enaltes and cats, for instance, coming to be regarded as illothers, snakes and cats, for instance, coming to be regarded as illomened, and certain birds as "pious" and worthy of all reverence. As a branch of folk mythology, these legends of animals deal a shrewd blow at the too rigid rule which explains every myth by the sun or the clouds.

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To Macmillan Colonel R. W. C. Winslow sends a spirited account of the siege of Potchefstroom, the most hardly-pressed of all the isolated garrisons which held their ground so well in the Transvaal War. The party only surrendered when close upon starvation, and when the treaty was signed the Boers gave the officers a banquet, and after it escorted Colonel Winslow, whom the mob of Potchefstroom were inclined to shoot, back to his own quarters.—Some piquant "Recollections of Lord Chancellor Westbury," by "One Who Knew Him," are worth reading.

A memoir of Robert Schumann in Temple Bar, though scarcely one of "L. E.'s" best notices of great musicians, is still a paper of no slender interest; and "Talleyrand at Vienna" is altogether good. The services there rendered by him to France would have given him the highest place among her diplomatists had not all the work

him the highest place among her diplomatists had not all the work of the Congress been undone by the return of Napoleon from Elba, With all his caution, Talleyrand sometimes committed himself, and a letter in which he spoke slightingly of the House of Romanoff was betrayed to the Czar Alexander, and procured for him the lasting displeasure of that monarch. But for this his diplomatic tact might have proved as useful after Waterloo as in the negotiations of the preceding year. preceding year.

In Longman's is an interesting paper on "The Measurement of Wind Force," by J. K. Laughton, a more difficult matter than most people suppose; in fact, the estimates of wind-pressure in most people suppose; in fact, the estimates of wind-pressure in storms are seldom more than guesses at the truth; and in the Gentleman's a good account of a visit to the London Hospital, by Walter Besant, "An East End Chapter," and a review of "The Carlyle-Emerson Correspondence," by R. H. Shepherd.—Mr. Wilkie Collins's "Heart and Science" is still the chief attraction of Belgravia.—In the Argosy are some very good sketches from Gibraltar to accompany "The Cruise of the Reserve Squadron," and a pathetic little tale of a street Arab, "An Incident from Life."—In Time a further instalment of Mr. Francillon's serial, a pleasant sketch of "The Author of 'Vathek,'" and very readable legal article, "Case Law."

Harper—for once, as it strikes us, a little dull—has still one decidedly good paper in a fourth chapter of "An Artist's Stroll in Holland" by the deserted shores of the placid Zuyder Zee.—The Century has an attractively illustrated account of "The Capitol at Washington;" an amusing adventure "Visiting the Gipsies," by Mr. Leland; and the conclusion of Mrs. Burnett's powerful but melancholy "Under One Administration."

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We have also received St. Nicholas, with a pretty legend of "A Sad Little Prince;" Good Words, with the first of some articles on the Paris ouvrier and a very sympathetic description of an evening "With the Salvation Army," by Mrs. Garnett; the Month, with a description of "The Last Scientific Voyage of H. M.S. Favm," one of the ships employed to carry the observers of the recent transit of the ships employed to carry the observers of the recent transit of Venus to their destination, a paper specially interesting just now from the fact that the destination of the savans was Madagascar. Toom the fact that the destination of the savans was Madagascar; Colburn's United Service and the Army and Navy Magazines, in the latter a capital memoir by Colonel Malleson of Hidayat Ali, aidedecamp to the Prince of Wales in 1875, a native "Without Fear and Without Reproach;" the Theatre, with "an account of himself," by W. S. Gilbert; London Society, Tinsley, Chambers', Hardwicke's Science Gossip, and the Squire.



BOOKS like Mr. Growse's "Mathurá, a District Memoir" (printed at the North-Western Provinces and Oudh Government Press) are very welcome, for they are a set-off against the discouraging statistics that went the round of the papers not long ago. We were assured that the Examination-Wallahs are not up to their work; that a large percentage of them have to be dismissed for various kinds of incompetency. But now that the example set by Mr. Hunter is being followed by others, it may fairly be said that Mr. Hunter is being followed by others, it may fairly be said that the system which produces so many men who have a firm grasp not only on the literature, the archaeology, and so forth, but also on the vital statistics of their districts, cannot be called a failure. Readers who have friends in India may have seen some of these local histories, compiled by order of the Government, of one of which Mr. Growse's book is an amplification. Like of one of which Mr. Growse's book is an amplification. Like our Consular Service reports, they are of very unequal value. But "Mathurá" nevertheless is a valuable monograph on a very interesting subject; for "Mathurá" (Muttra, not Madura, be it remembered) is the holiest city of the Hindoos, the birthplace of that Krishna the earlier scenes of whose life some have ventured to bring into comparison with the early history of Our Blessed Lord. We may at once admit the

similarity between several of the Krishna litanies and the "Song of Songs which is Solomon's;" while the sacred literature of some of the syncretic sects who, like the Sikhs in another part of the peninsula, try to unite the two great faiths, now and then startlingly reminds us of Ecclesiastes. Prán Náth, for instance, the Prophet of the Dhamis, must surely have had our Bible before him when he wrote: "The beginning of all things is in hollowness, hollow is also the end and hollow the middle; so says the preacher." Readers of Fergusson know how rich the Mathurá district is in typical Hindoo architecture, ancient and modern. Mr. Growse's excellent autotypes are a great help to his careful descriptions. Brindábad is a very city of temples, and it is sad to find that some of those which wholly escaped the Mohammedan destroyers are perishing for want of the expenditure of a few hundred rupees. Throughout the book is a model of painstaking and intelligent research—is, in fact, just what such a Districtmential template is a property thould be

Mr. Rusden's three volumes are by far the most compendious work on "The History of New Zealand" (Chapman and Hall) which has yet appeared. The story is not calculated to increase our national self-esteem. We have filled the island with our colonists—any nation could have done that; but we have not done what, judging by the analogy of Britain itself, the heathen Romans would have done—preserved and civilised the Maories. And then we soothe our consciences with personne shout "retting uses." Britain of the story of t consciences with nonsense about "rotting races." Briton, or Gaul, or Spaniard would have rotted fast enough if Rome, instead of holding each nation together under her beneficent sway, had encouraged exterminate one another, while at the same time she had brought in fire-water and new diseases. Two courses were open to us—either to leave the natives to be dealt with by the colonists, as, in spite of our engagements, we seem likely to leave the South African tribes to the tender mercies of the Boers; or to accept the Maories as bond fide British subjects, and really to protect them accordingly. With our national love of compromise we did neither. We deluded the natives into the idea that they were under our protection; and when, as British subjects had a right to do, they resented the alienation of their lands to interloperrs, we called them rebels and shelled them out of their pals with cohorns and Armstrong guns. It is exactly what went on in Ireland in the first four centuries of English rule; only the resources of civilization being now to much the first four centuries. only, the resources of civilisation being now so much more effective, there will be no Maories left to make things unpleasant about A.D. 2500. Of course, there is another view—that the islands are the Pakehas' inheritance, and that the Maori is only an obstructive, to be got rid of in the way that is at once easiest and most effectual. We fear this is the view of a very large majority of English people. They may be converted from it if they will carefully read Mr.

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We have no stomach to follow Mr. T. F. Carter through the humiliating details of his "Narrative of the Boer War; its Causes and Results" (Remington). Some of these details are enough to make the heroes who lie in our two London Cathedrals rise from their graves to disown us. Fancy at the Majuba, everything being got ready for a bayonet charge, Colonel Stewart and the other officers crying: "Show them the cold steel, men; that will check them;" then the order to charge was unaccountably delayed; and, when it came, the men skulking off—Highlanders, Blue Jackets, Red and Brown Coats, and all. It used to be said that Englishmen never knew when they are beaten; but nous avons change tout cela, and, if things remain as they are, the sooner we give up the title of the imperial title the better. Henceforth the Kaffir puts us in the lowest rank: "He has beaten the Dutchman; the Dutchman has beaten the Englishman."

In the days of the rhapsodists, when Homer was recited at the Greek Games, there were no scholiasts or annotators. They came in when the great poet had ceased to be a living power. We take it to be a bad sign that Dickens should need a commentator. Lamb's Tales were for the very young, for whom Shakespeare himself might be too strong meat; but no one who could profit by Mr. Rimmer is too young to read "Pickwick" or "David Copperfield." We, therefore, consider "Through England with Charles Dickens" (Chatto and Windus) a mistake, though a good many of the engravings are capital, and there is plenty of the sort of information which is useful to those who prefer talking about Dickens to reading and re-reading him for the love of him.

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"Moorish Lotos Leaves" (l'insley) strike us as reprints from a magazine; they were worth reprinting, if only for the sake of those who also wish to get a glimpse of Southern Morocco. Why not go, when two people can have a thirty-five days' tour to Maraskh, and all around it, for 34%. If you don't see good Haroun Alraschid, you will come across Cid Abd-el-Karum, the fast young Moor, and those naughty beauties Lalla fatoma and her sister Kultoum; and may chance on Ayesha and Zohra, who have borrowed male attire, and have stolen out of a Thursday night to watch the follies of the maskers. You will be sure, if you look for him, to see the Emperor ("in whose veins is a dash of Irish as well as negro blood") going to Mosque in "a ridiculous old ruin of a green and gold one-horse chaise, driven by a man on foot, and attended by and gold one-horse chaise, driven by a man on foot, and attended by two lance-bearers," and two fly-flappers, and not even one detective. Messrs. Cowan and Johnston's book is amusing, and far richer

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Eight out of the eleven chapters of "The Life of Lord Wolseley of Cairo" (Bentley) were published in 1878. They carry the story of his life on to his appointment as High Commissioner of Cyprus. For these earlier chapters Mr. Low had little beyond public documents and word-of-mouth information to guide him. Sir Garnet's papers and journals were part stolen during the Indian Mutiny, the rest burnt at the Pantechnicon, along with all his furniture and effects; but, as Mr. Low repeatedly interviewed his hero, and put leading questions, the lossisof little account. Long before the Egyptian Campaign, the most striking feature of which was the way in which Napoleon's maxim: "Never give the enemy time to rally" was acted on, Sir Garnet had proved himself as fearless as he was self-reliant. "Even in the Transvaal," says Mr. Low, "the magic of his name awed the sturdy farmers into submission." What a pity he could not have stayed out there. The book will, of course, be largely read; it well suits its subject.

Mr. Serjeant Robinson's "Stray Thoughts on Wealth and its Sources" (Sampson Low and Co.) should be read along with such books as Mr. George's "Progress and Poverty"—unless, indeed (which is better) the latter is left unread. The "Thoughts" are shrewd and the conclusions convincing. We specially need to be reminded that the agitator trades on the agitation caused by bad seasons, and that these cannot be averted by any class legislation. We commend Mr. Robinson's remarks on Free Trade; he acquiesces in the result, but not in the unscrupulous way in which it was

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Fair traders get scanty encouragement from such a good old Tory as Serjeant Robinson; they get still less from Mr. Baden Powell, in "State Aid and State Interference" (Chapman and Hall). Government interference, thinks Mr. Powell, is "the Delilah of a nation's destruction;" it is "Popery in politics;" it gives artificial fillips, but never true national prosperity. The United States thrive in spite of Protection, and Hong Kong in spite of the opium monopoly! Mr. Powell has a hereditary right to be thorough; but he confesses that the reason why we steadily refuse all aid to home industries— Irish fisheries and the like—is because our position as head of the manufacturing world is well assured. Yet surely this proves nothing as to the wisdom of State aid to growing industries in young

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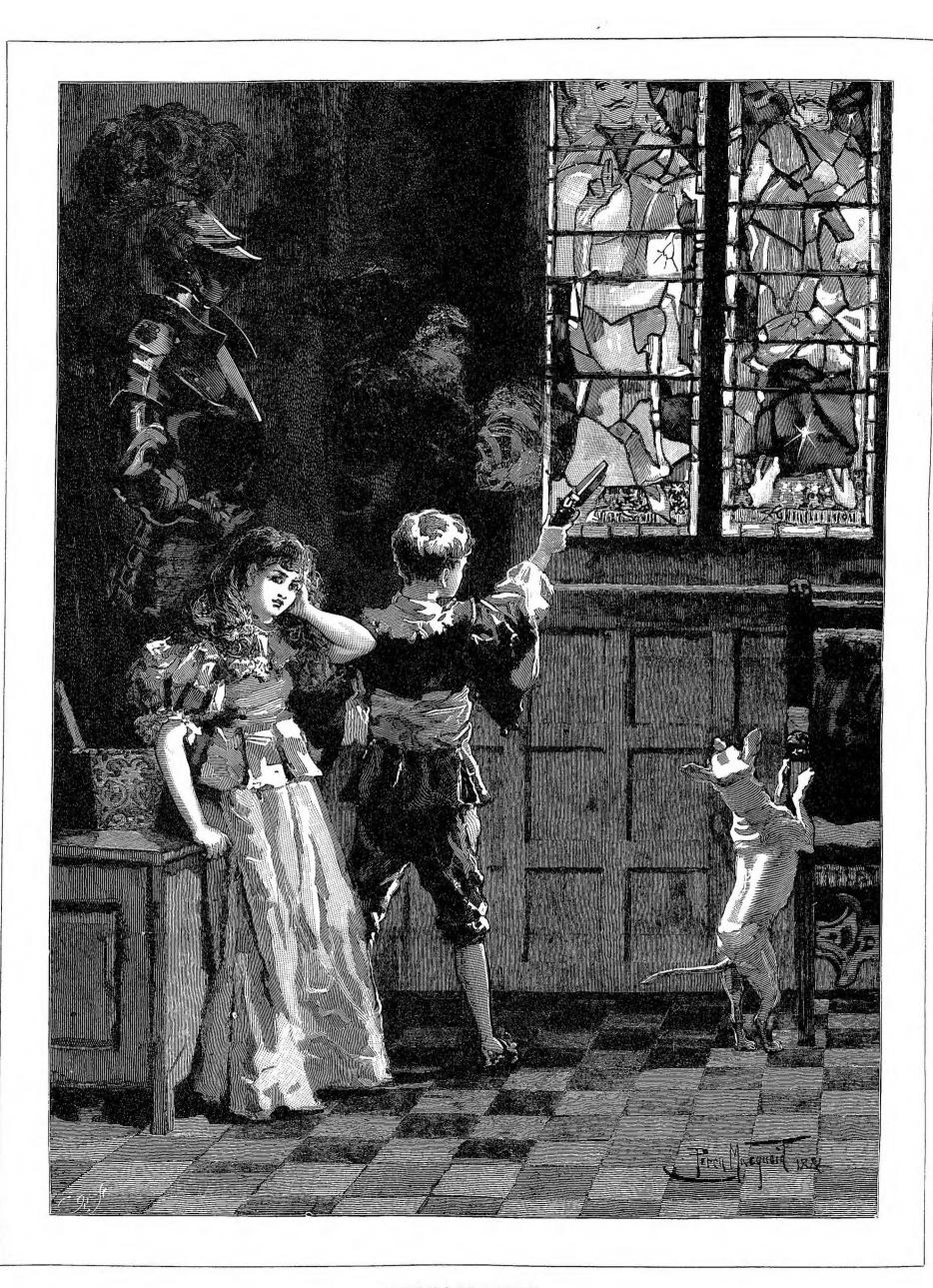
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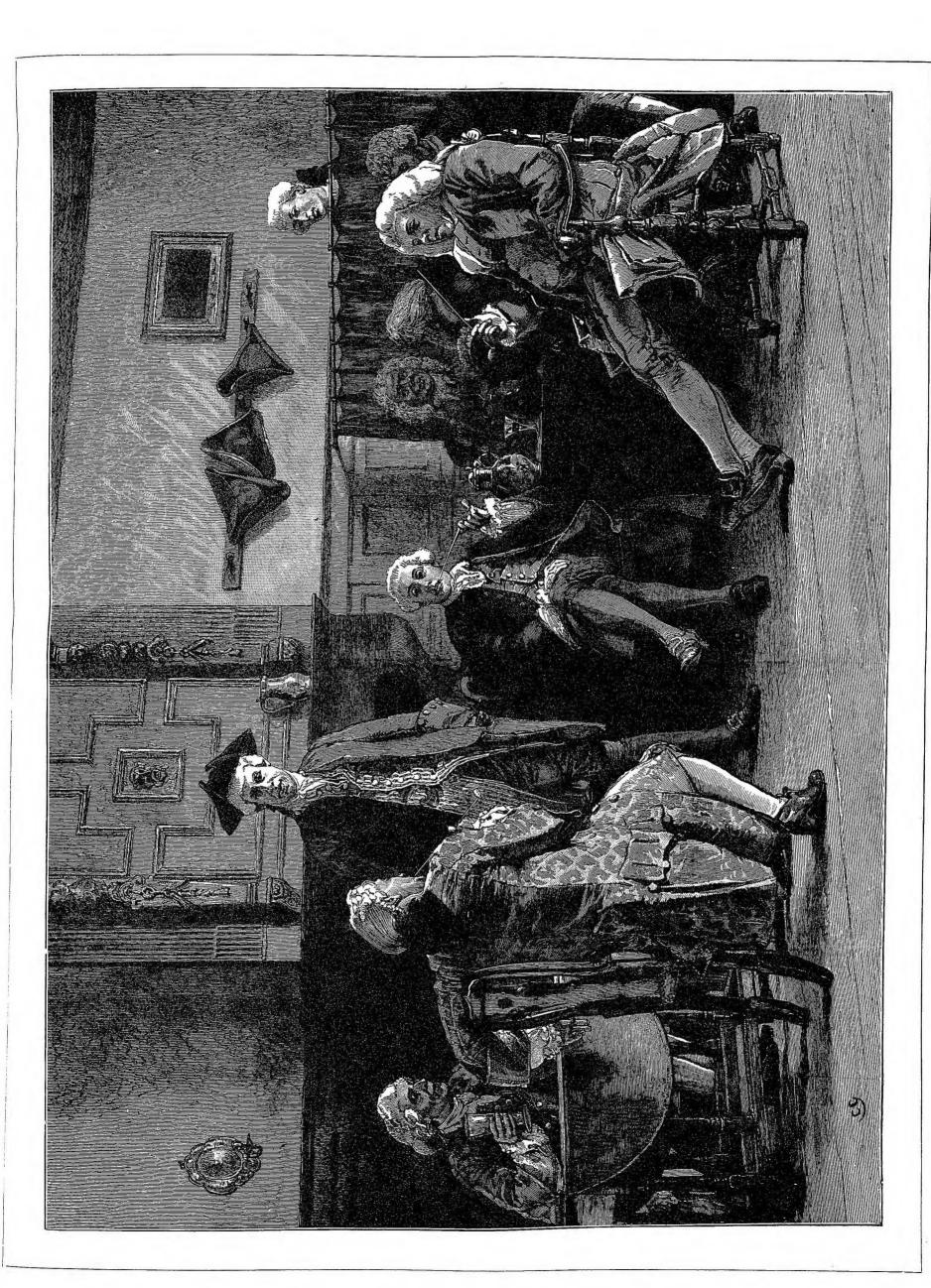
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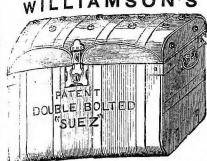
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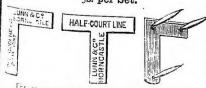
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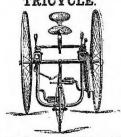
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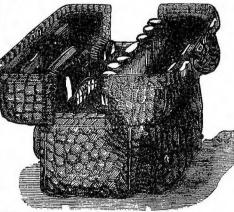
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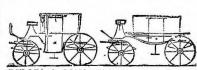
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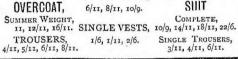




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